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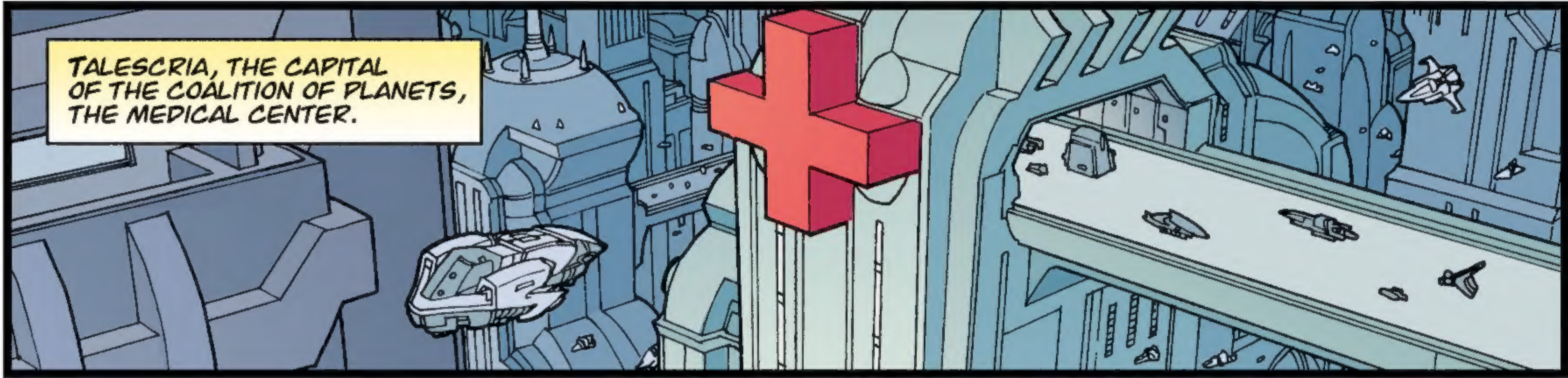
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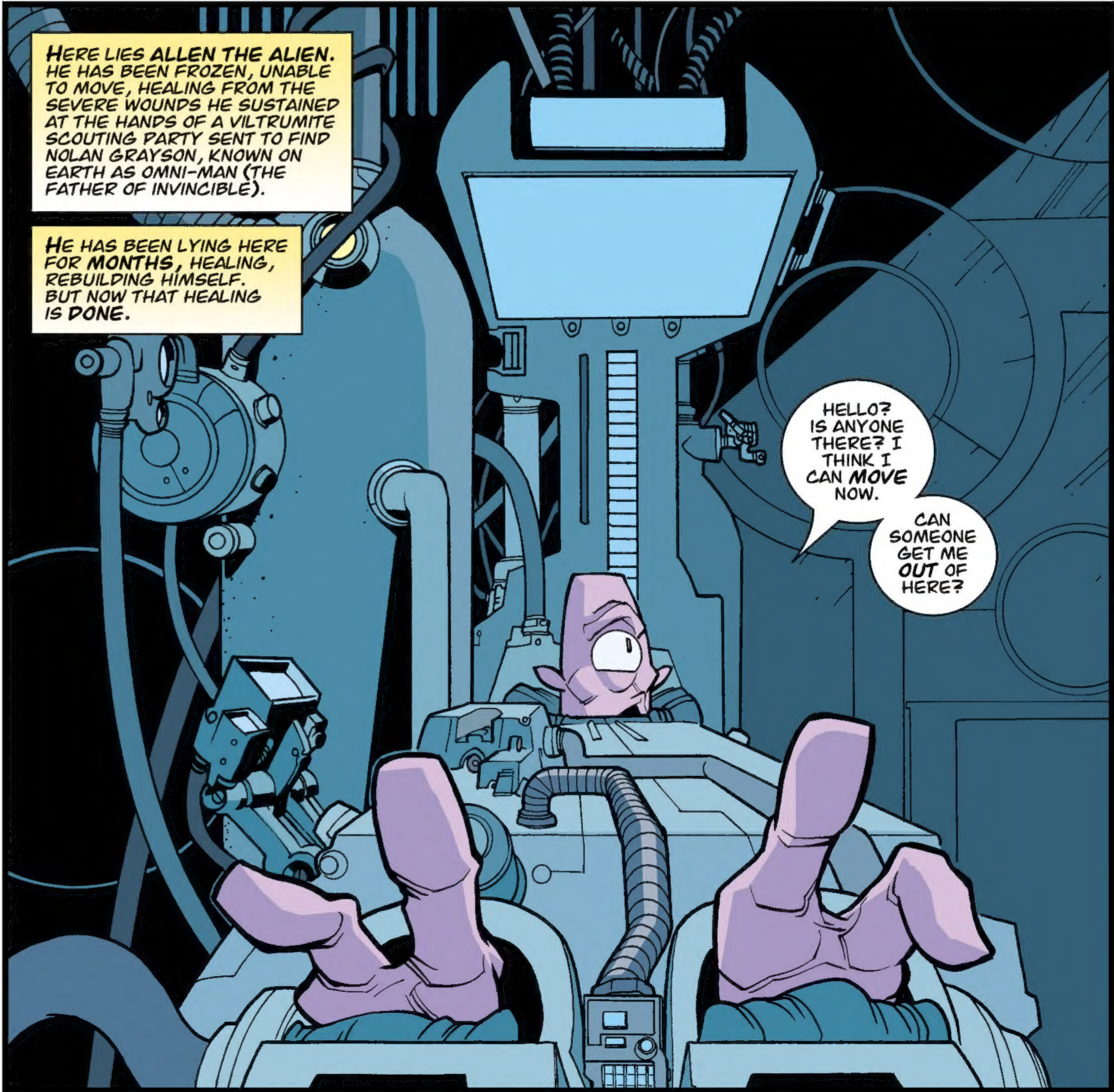
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TALESCRIA, THE CAPITAL OF THE COALITION OF PLANETS, THE MEDICAL CENTER.



HERE LIES ALLEN THE ALIEN. HE HAS BEEN FROZEN, UNABLE TO MOVE, HEALING FROM THE SEVERE WOUNDS HE SUSTAINED AT THE HANDS OF A VILTRUMITE SCOUTING PARTY SENT TO FIND NOLAN GRAYSON, KNOWN ON EARTH AS OMNI-MAN (THE FATHER OF INVINCIBLE).

HE HAS BEEN LYING HERE FOR MONTHS, HEALING, REBUILDING HIMSELF. BUT NOW THAT HEALING IS DONE.

HELLO?
IS ANYONE
THERE? I
THINK I
CAN MOVE
NOW.

CAN
SOMEONE
GET ME
OUT OF
HERE?



SKRO-KOOM!





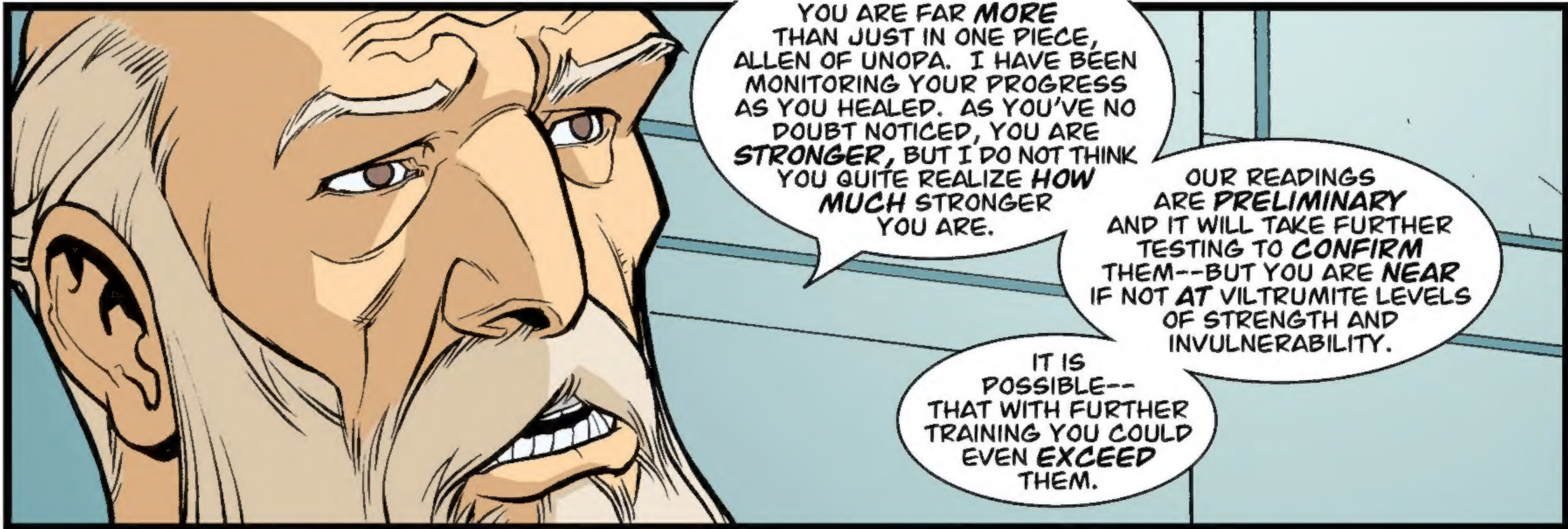
SOMETIME LATER. THE LEADER OF THE COALITION OF PLANETS, THE GREAT THAEDUS HAS ARRIVED TO CHECK IN ON THE NEWLY HEALED ALLEN THE ALIEN.

RIGHT THIS WAY, SIR. HE'S JUST THROUGH THESE DOORS AHEAD.



ALLEN, IT IS GOOD TO SEE YOU IN ONE PIECE, MY FRIEND.

IT IS GOOD TO BE IN ONE PIECE, SIR.



YOU ARE FAR MORE THAN JUST IN ONE PIECE, ALLEN OF UNOPA. I HAVE BEEN MONITORING YOUR PROGRESS AS YOU HEALED. AS YOU'VE NO DOUBT NOTICED, YOU ARE STRONGER, BUT I DO NOT THINK YOU QUITE REALIZE HOW MUCH STRONGER YOU ARE.

OUR READINGS ARE PRELIMINARY AND IT WILL TAKE FURTHER TESTING TO CONFIRM THEM--BUT YOU ARE NEAR IF NOT AT VILTRUMITE LEVELS OF STRENGTH AND INVULNERABILITY.

IT IS POSSIBLE-- THAT WITH FURTHER TRAINING YOU COULD EVEN EXCEED THEM.



HOW CAN YOU MAKE SUCH A COMPARISON? THE COALITION HAS NO DEFINITIVE RECORDS ON THE STRENGTH OF A VILTRUMITE.

WHERE ARE YOU GETTING YOUR INFORMATION?



PLEASE GIVE US A MOMENT, NURSE. I NEED TO SPEAK IN PRIVATE WITH ALLEN.

YES, GREAT THAEDUS. AS YOU WISH.



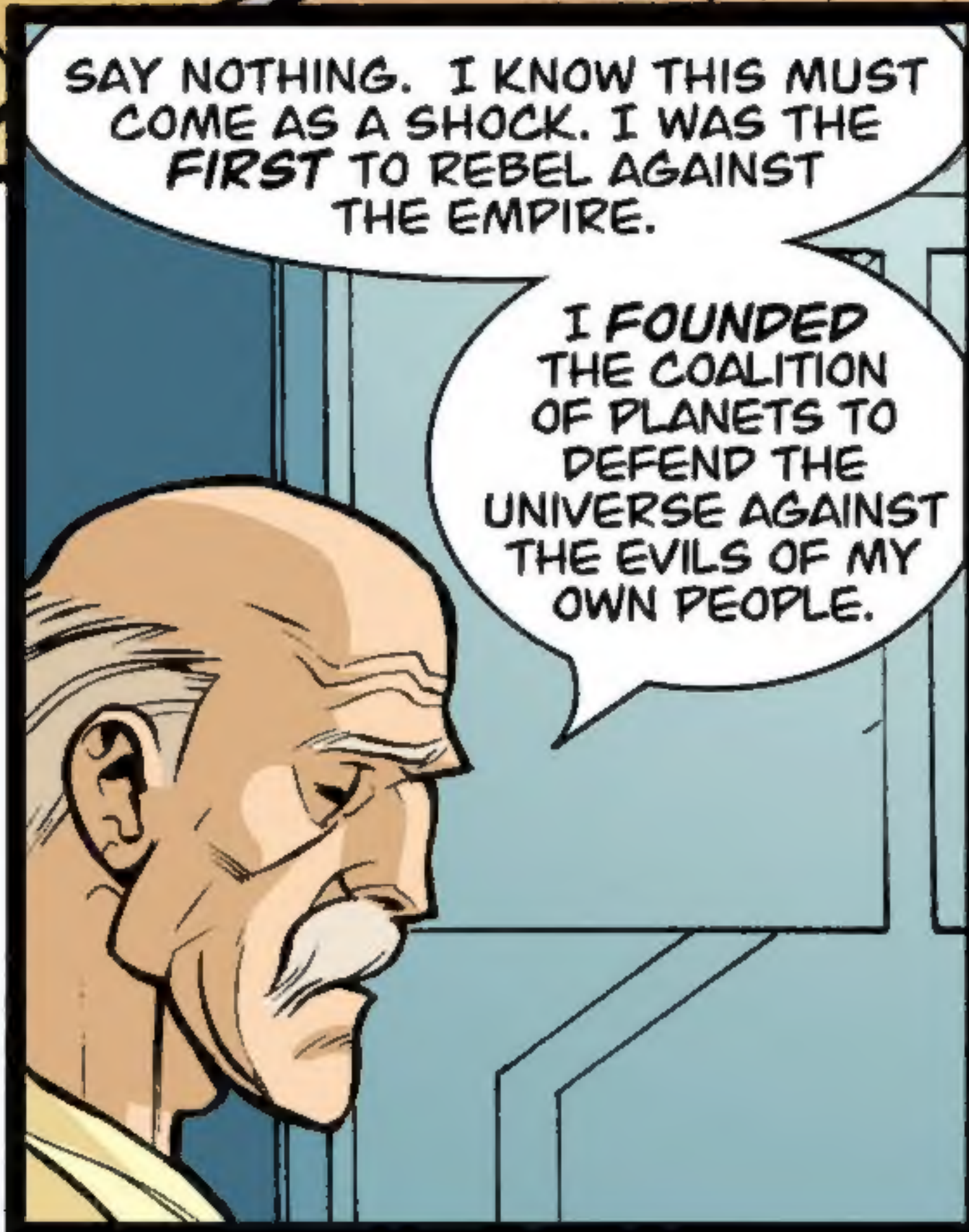
I KNOW THE SPECIFIC STRENGTH LEVELS OF A VILTRUMITE, ALLEN...



BECAUSE
I AM A
VILTRUMITE!

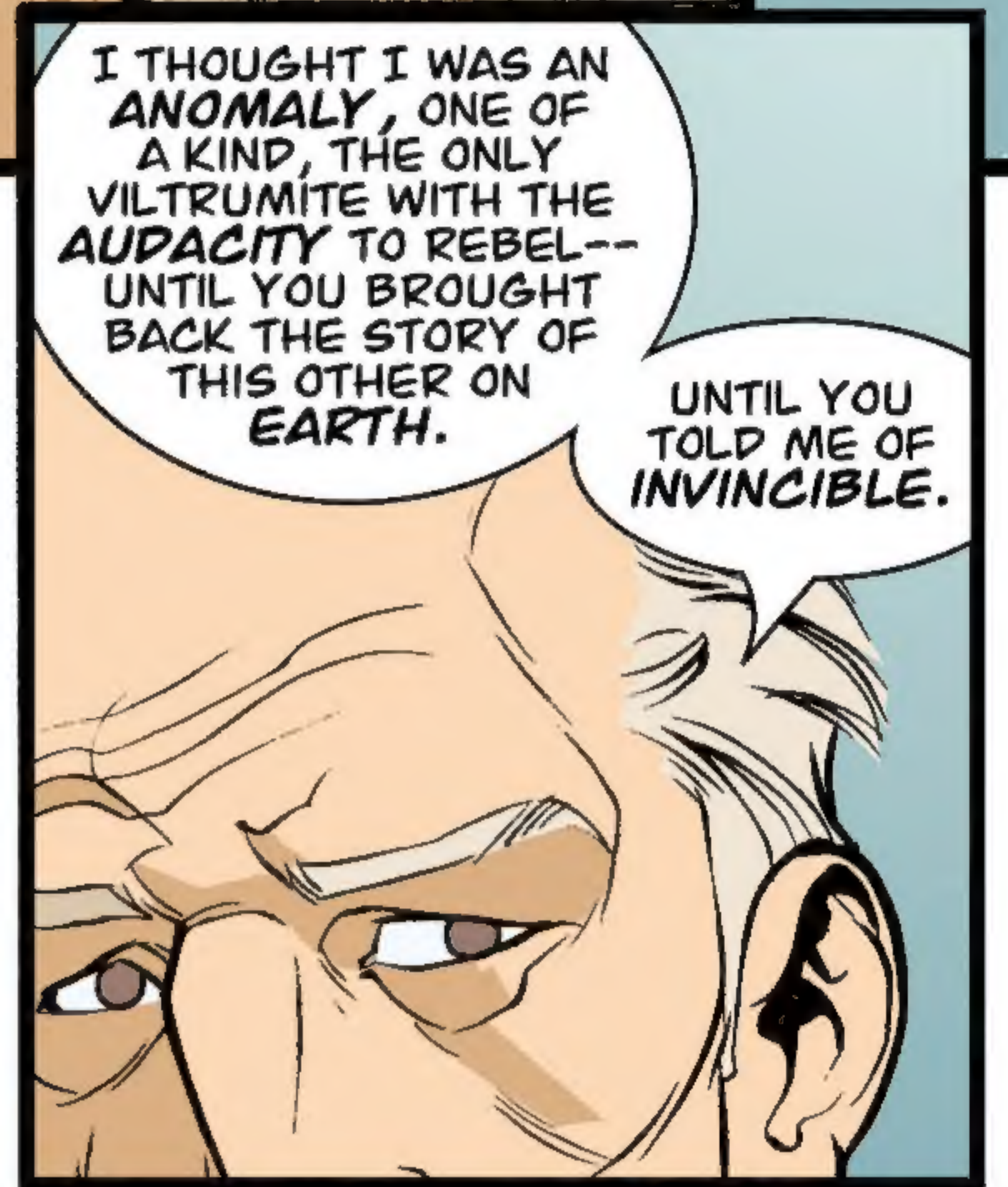


I--
I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
TO SAY.



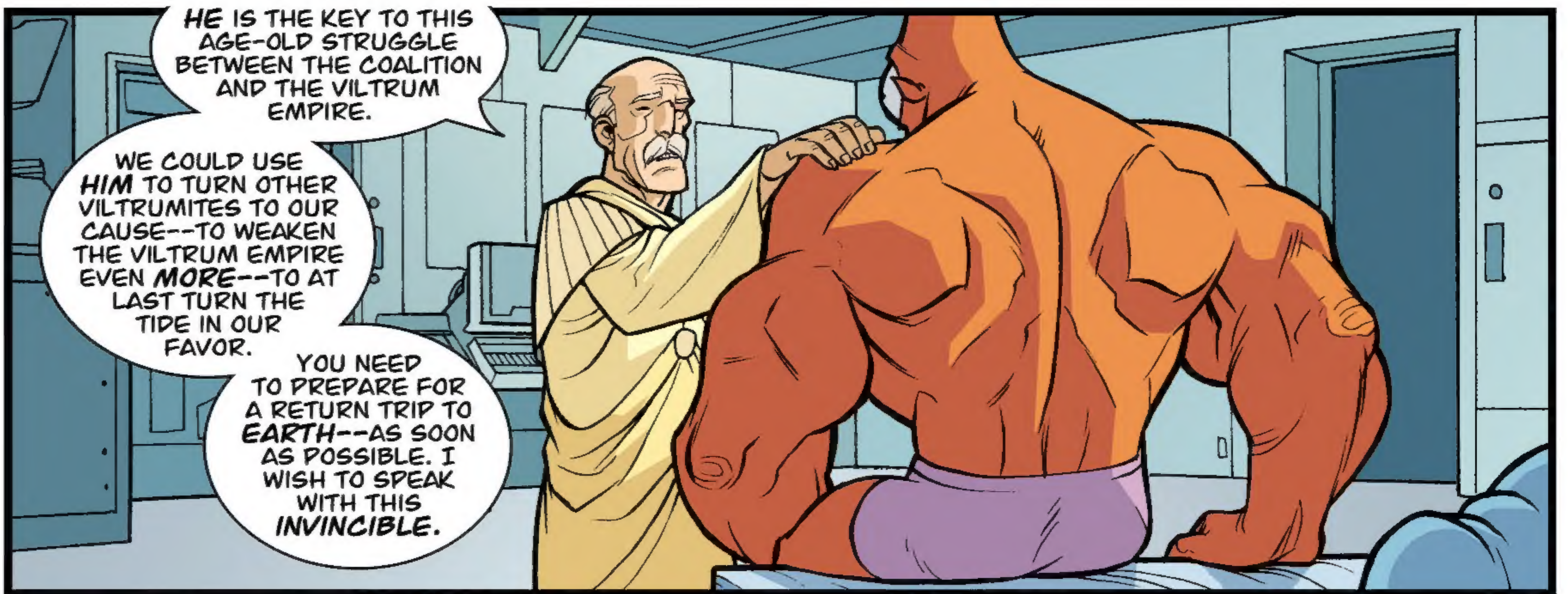
SAY NOTHING. I KNOW THIS MUST
COME AS A SHOCK. I WAS THE
FIRST TO REBEL AGAINST
THE EMPIRE.

I FOUNDED
THE COALITION
OF PLANETS TO
DEFEND THE
UNIVERSE AGAINST
THE EVILS OF MY
OWN PEOPLE.



I THOUGHT I WAS AN
ANOMALY, ONE OF
A KIND, THE ONLY
VILTRUMITE WITH THE
AUDACITY TO REBEL--
UNTIL YOU BROUGHT
BACK THE STORY OF
THIS OTHER ON
EARTH.

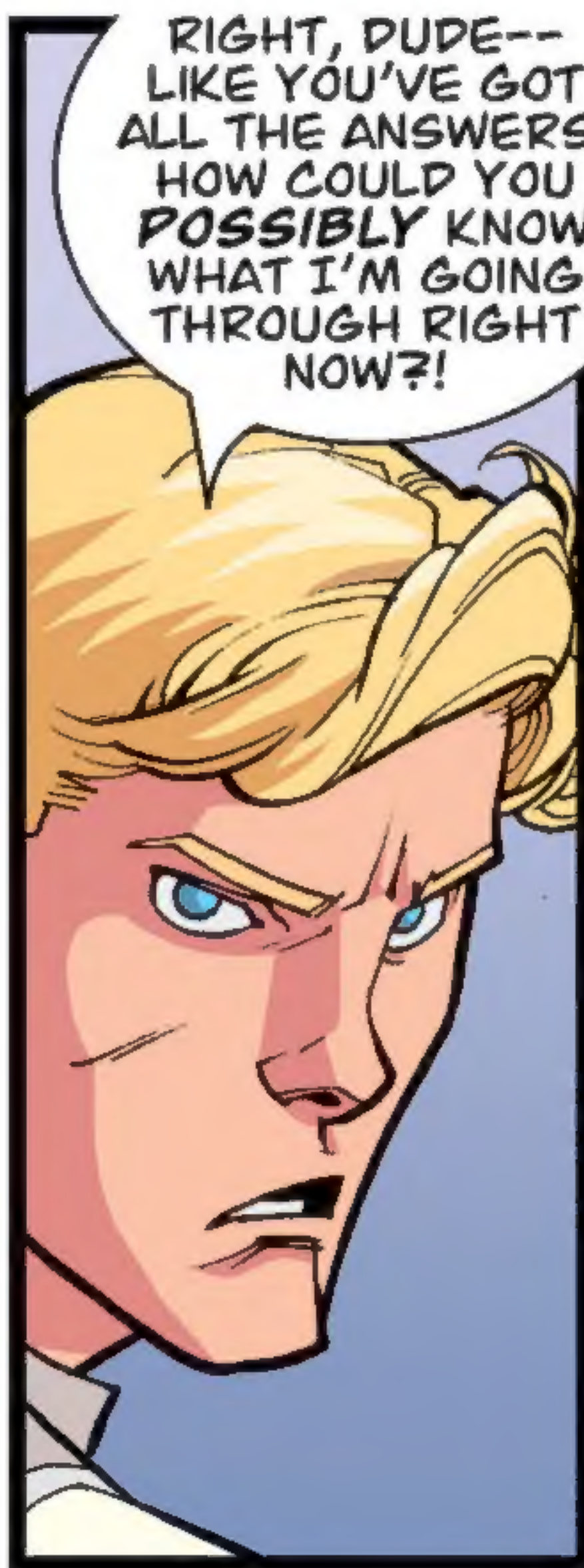
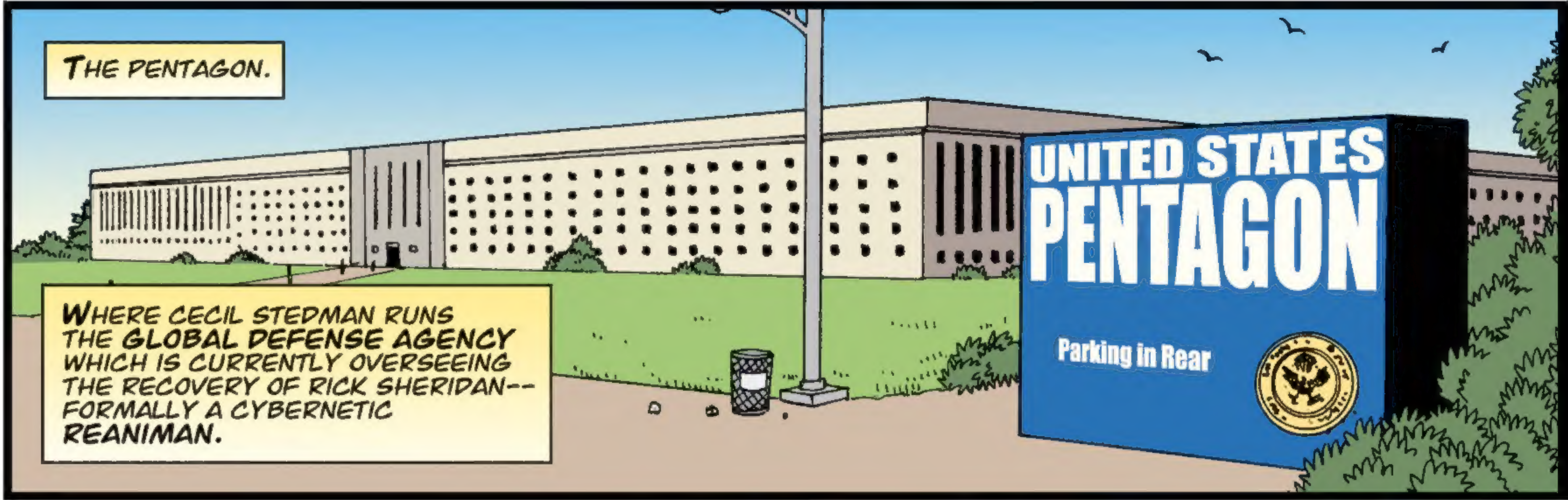
UNTIL YOU
TOLD ME OF
INVINCIBLE.

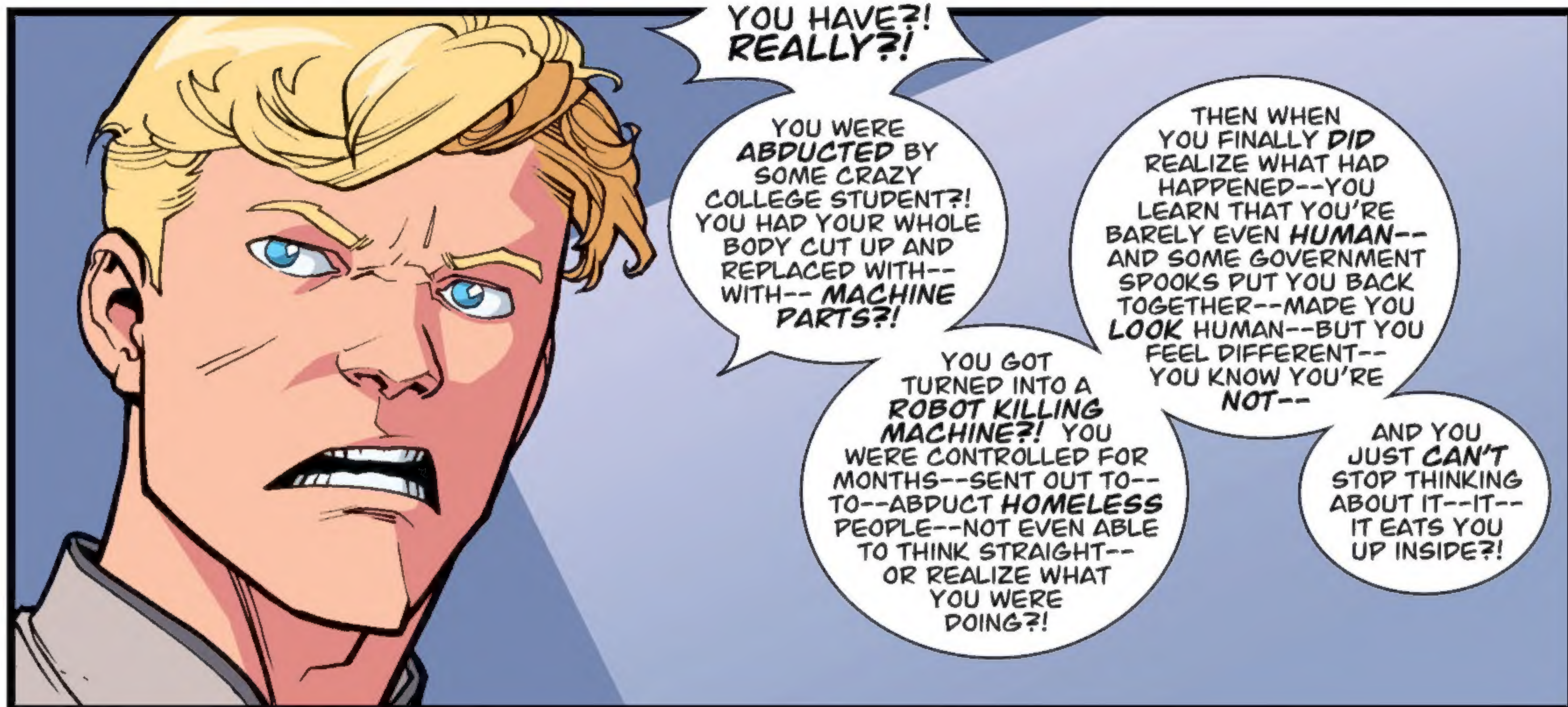


HE IS THE KEY TO THIS
AGE-OLD STRUGGLE
BETWEEN THE COALITION
AND THE VILTRUM
EMPIRE.

WE COULD USE
HIM TO TURN OTHER
VILTRUMITES TO OUR
CAUSE--TO WEAKEN
THE VILTRUM EMPIRE
EVEN MORE--TO AT
LAST TURN THE
TIDE IN OUR
FAVOR.

YOU NEED
TO PREPARE FOR
A RETURN TRIP TO
EARTH--AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE. I
WISH TO SPEAK
WITH THIS
INVINCIBLE.





YOU HAVE?!
REALLY?!

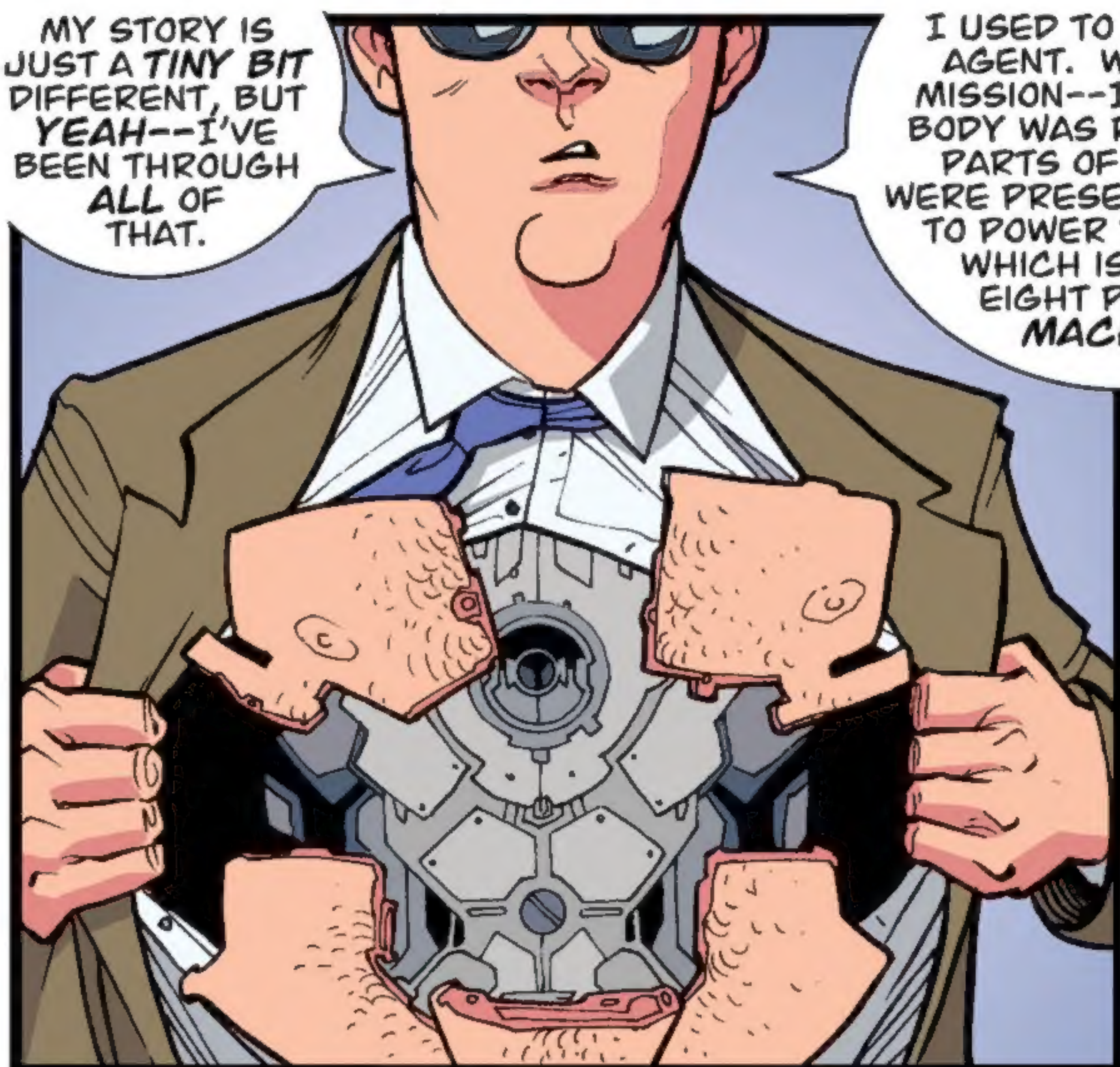
YOU WERE
ABDUCTED BY
SOME CRAZY
COLLEGE STUDENT?!
YOU HAD YOUR WHOLE
BODY CUT UP AND
REPLACED WITH--
WITH-- MACHINE
PARTS?!

THEN WHEN
YOU FINALLY DID
REALIZE WHAT HAD
HAPPENED--YOU
LEARN THAT YOU'RE
BARELY EVEN HUMAN--
AND SOME GOVERNMENT
SPOOKS PUT YOU BACK
TOGETHER--MADE YOU
LOOK HUMAN--BUT YOU
FEEL DIFFERENT--
YOU KNOW YOU'RE
NOT--

YOU GOT
TURNED INTO A
ROBOT KILLING
MACHINE?! YOU
WERE CONTROLLED FOR
MONTHS--SENT OUT TO--
TO--ABDUCT HOMELESS
PEOPLE--NOT EVEN ABLE
TO THINK STRAIGHT--
OR REALIZE WHAT
YOU WERE
DOING?!

AND YOU
JUST CAN'T
STOP THINKING
ABOUT IT--IT--
IT EATS YOU
UP INSIDE?!

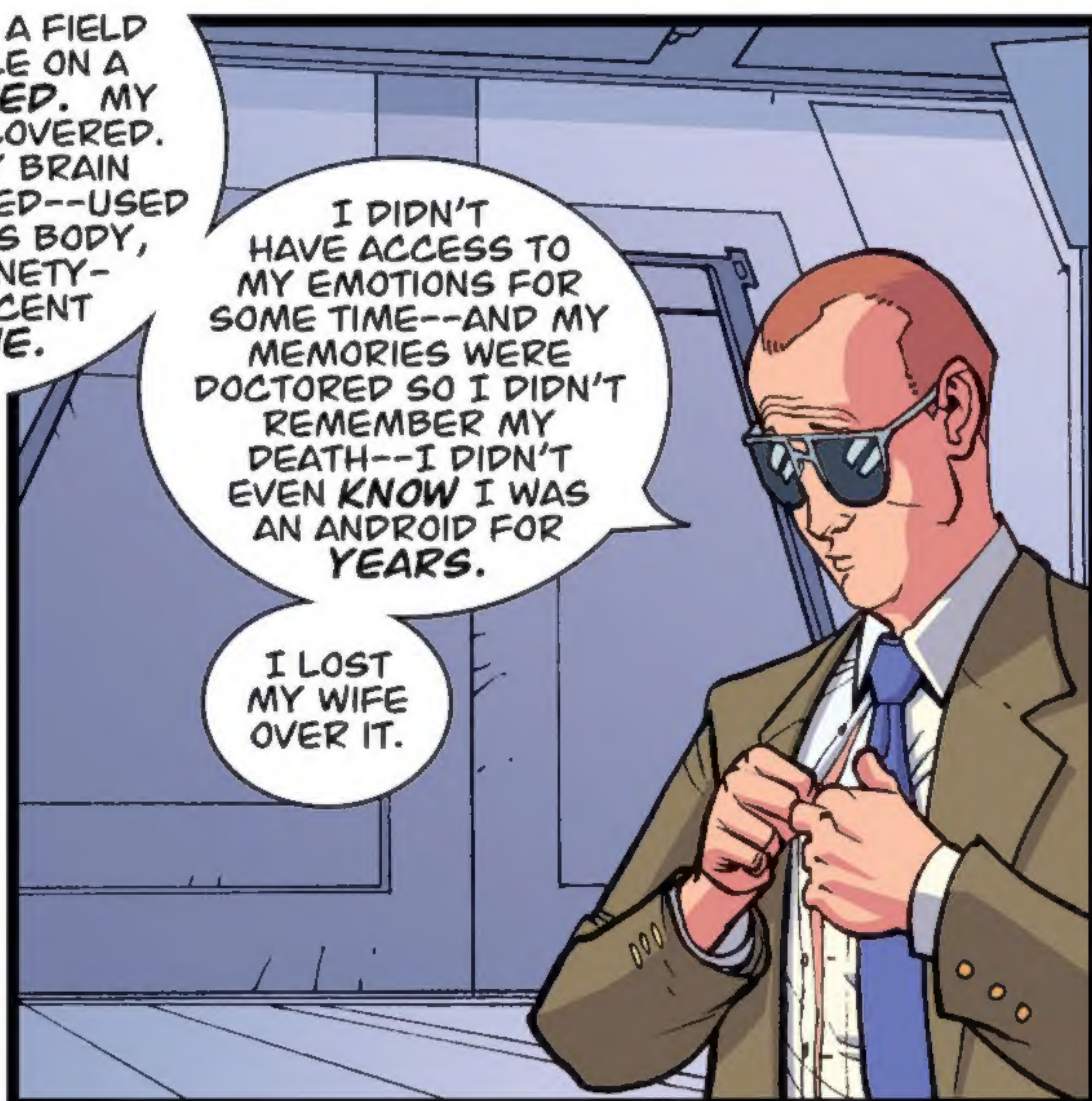
MY STORY IS
JUST A TINY BIT
DIFFERENT, BUT
YEAH--I'VE
BEEN THROUGH
ALL OF
THAT.



I USED TO BE A FIELD
AGENT. WHILE ON A
MISSION--I DIED. MY
BODY WAS RECOVERED.
PARTS OF MY BRAIN
WERE PRESERVED--USED
TO POWER THIS BODY,
WHICH IS NINETY-
EIGHT PERCENT
MACHINE.

I DIDN'T
HAVE ACCESS TO
MY EMOTIONS FOR
SOME TIME--AND MY
MEMORIES WERE
DOCTORED SO I DIDN'T
REMEMBER MY
DEATH--I DIDN'T
EVEN KNOW I WAS
AN ANDROID FOR
YEARS.

I LOST
MY WIFE
OVER IT.



OH,
MAN--I'M
SORRY.



WE'VE RECONCILED
SINCE THE SPLIT--
BUT YEAH, I'VE BEEN
THROUGH SOME
ROUGH TIMES.

AND I
HAD TO DO
IT ALONE.



IT'S NOT THE END OF
THE WORLD. THE
THINGS WE'VE DONE TO
YOU--THE REPAIRS--
NOBODY WILL EVEN
KNOW YOU'RE NOT
NORMAL UNLESS YOU
TELL THEM.



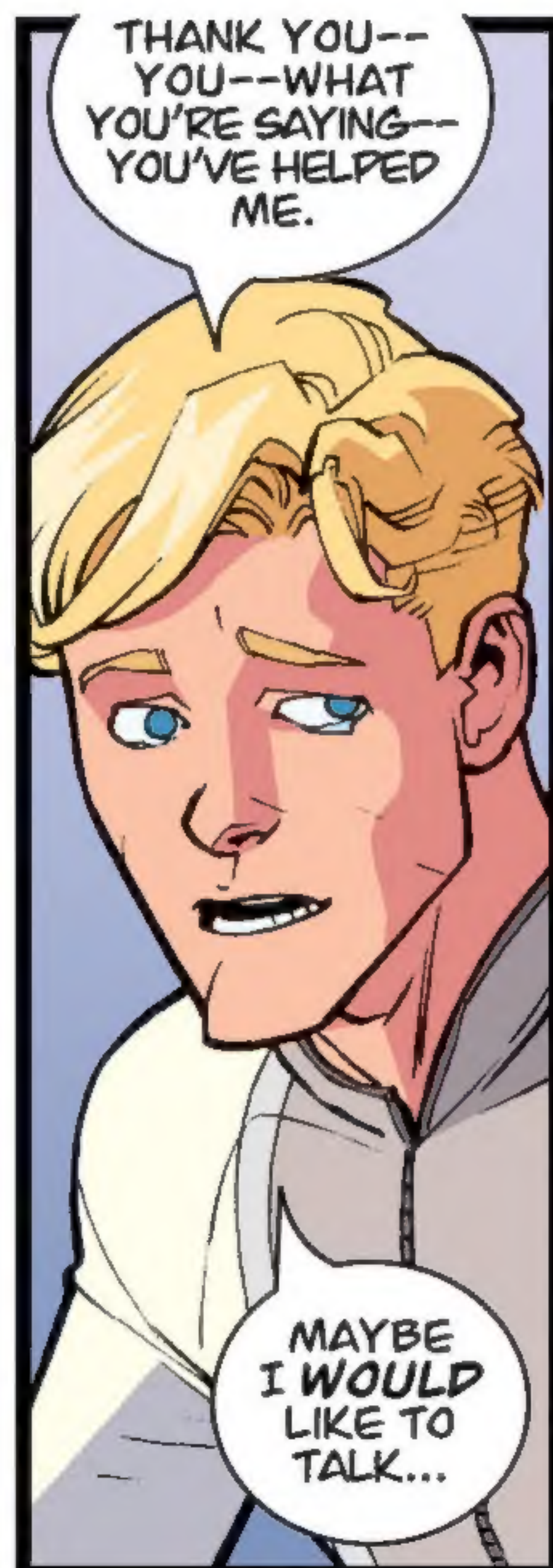
YOUR
GIRLFRIEND--
WIFE, YOUR
FAMILY--
NOBODY.

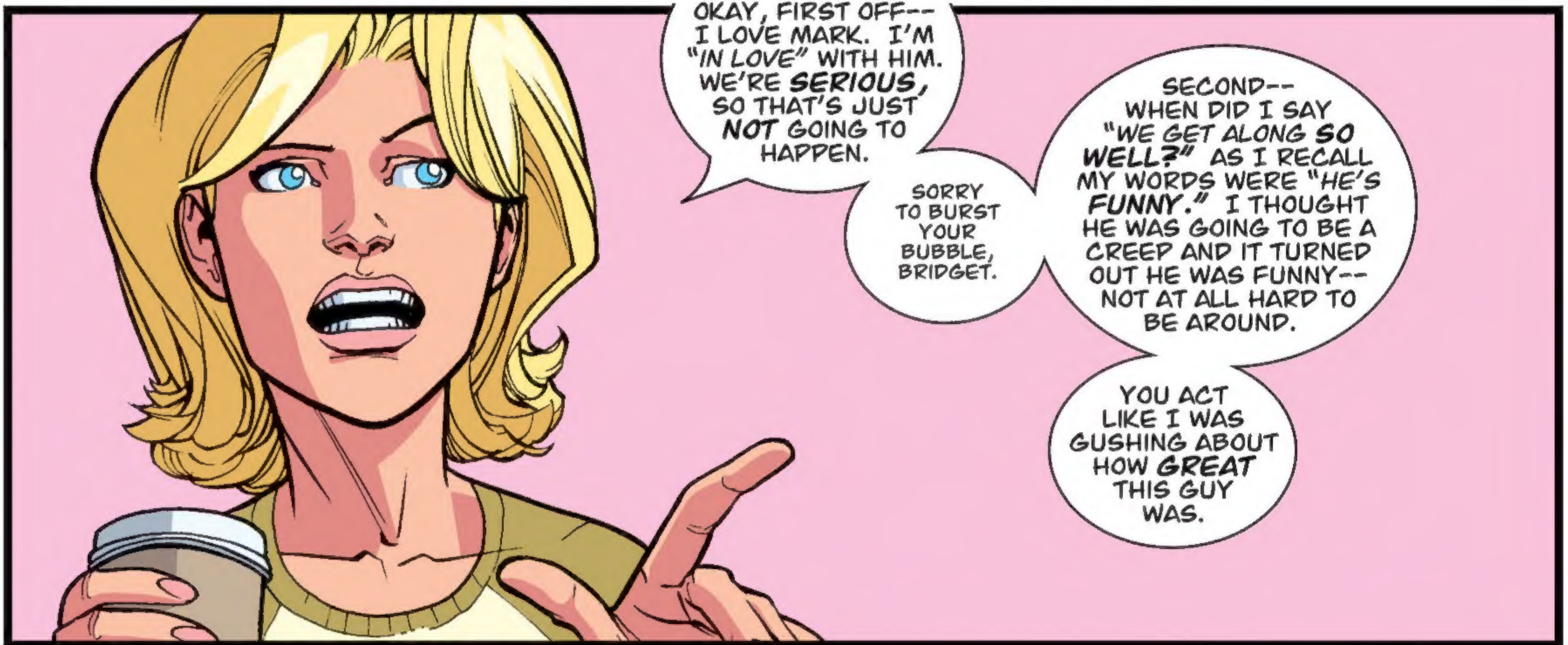
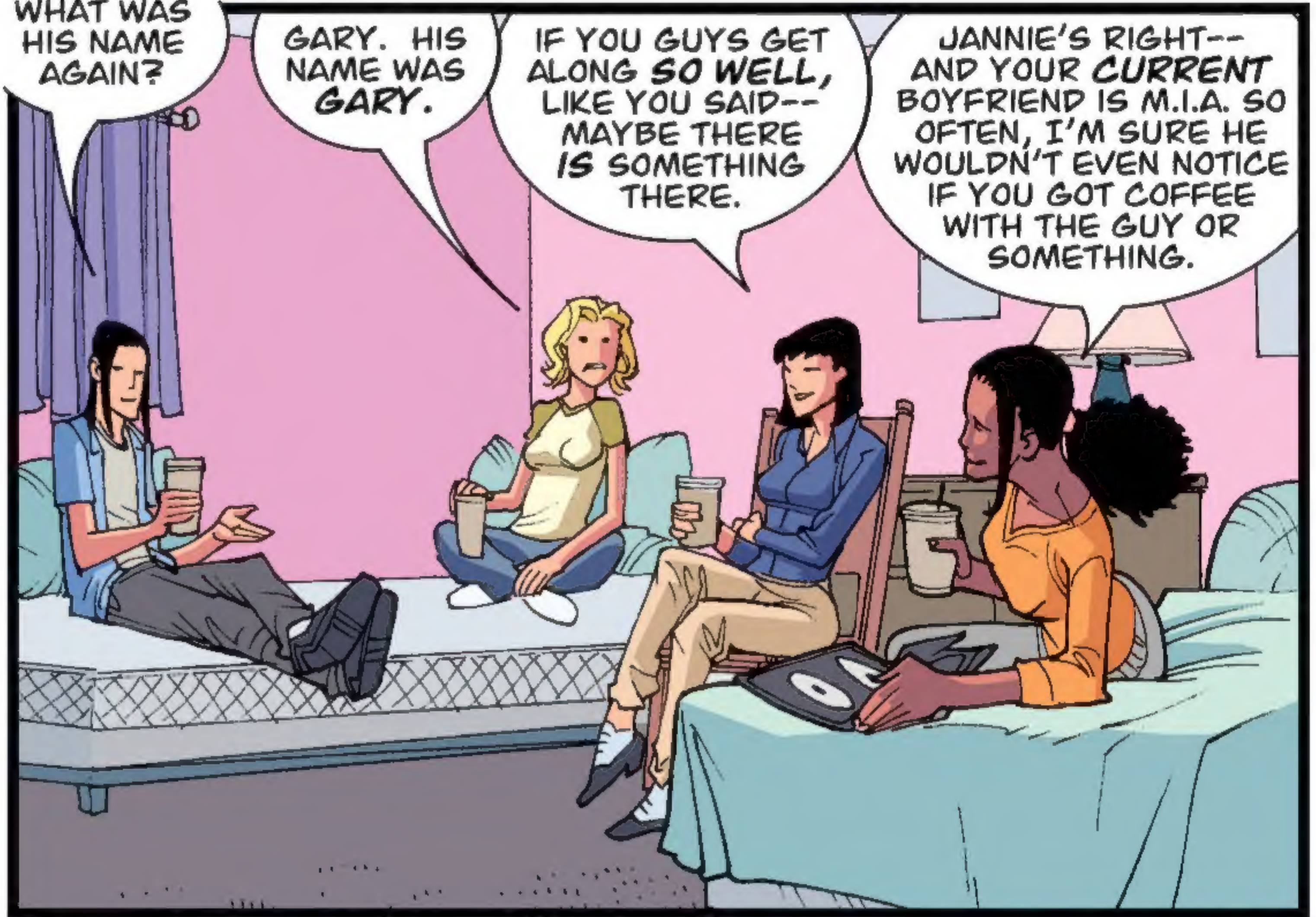
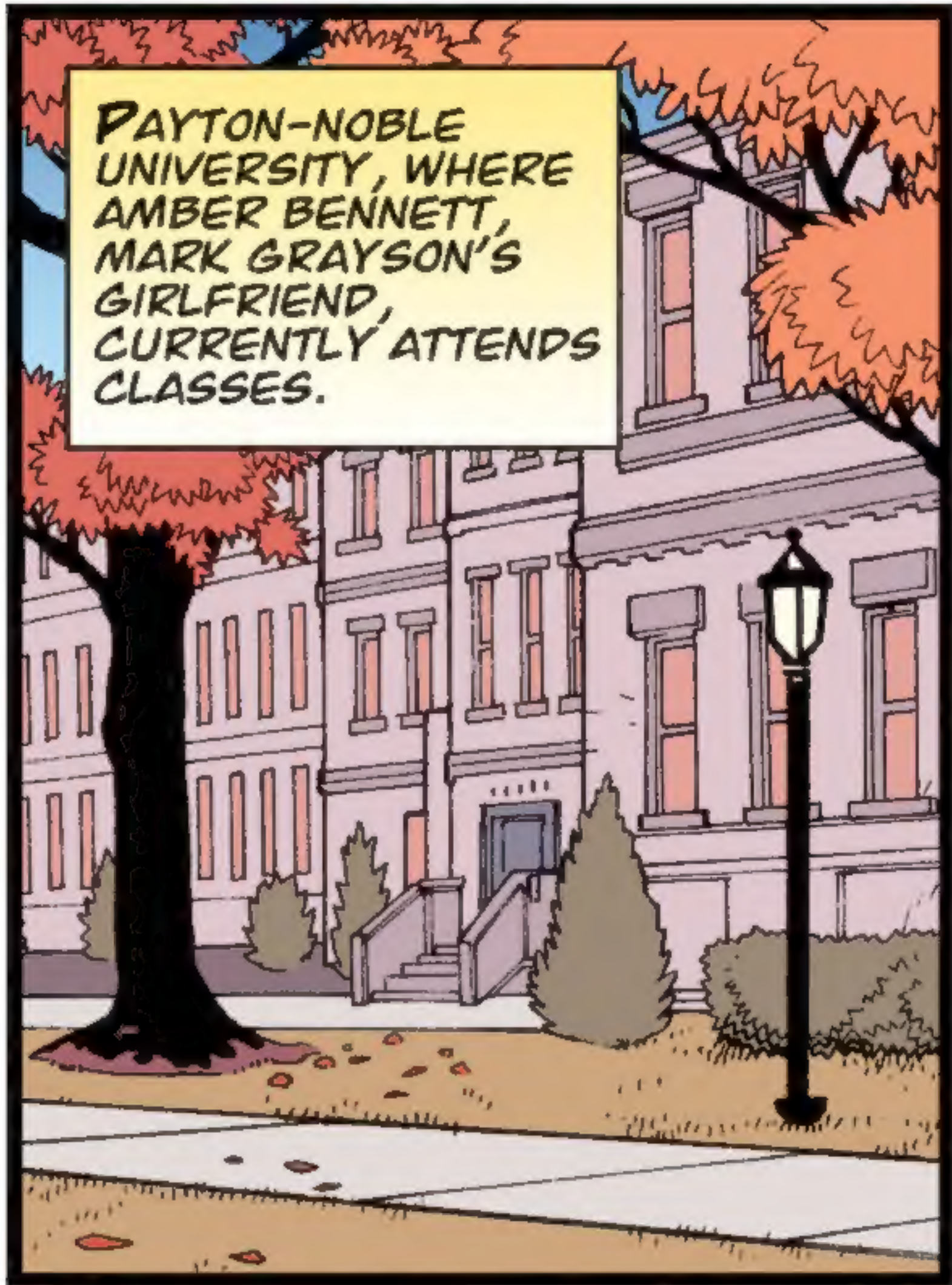
YOU CAN
STILL LIVE A
NORMAL LIFE IF
YOU WANT TO.

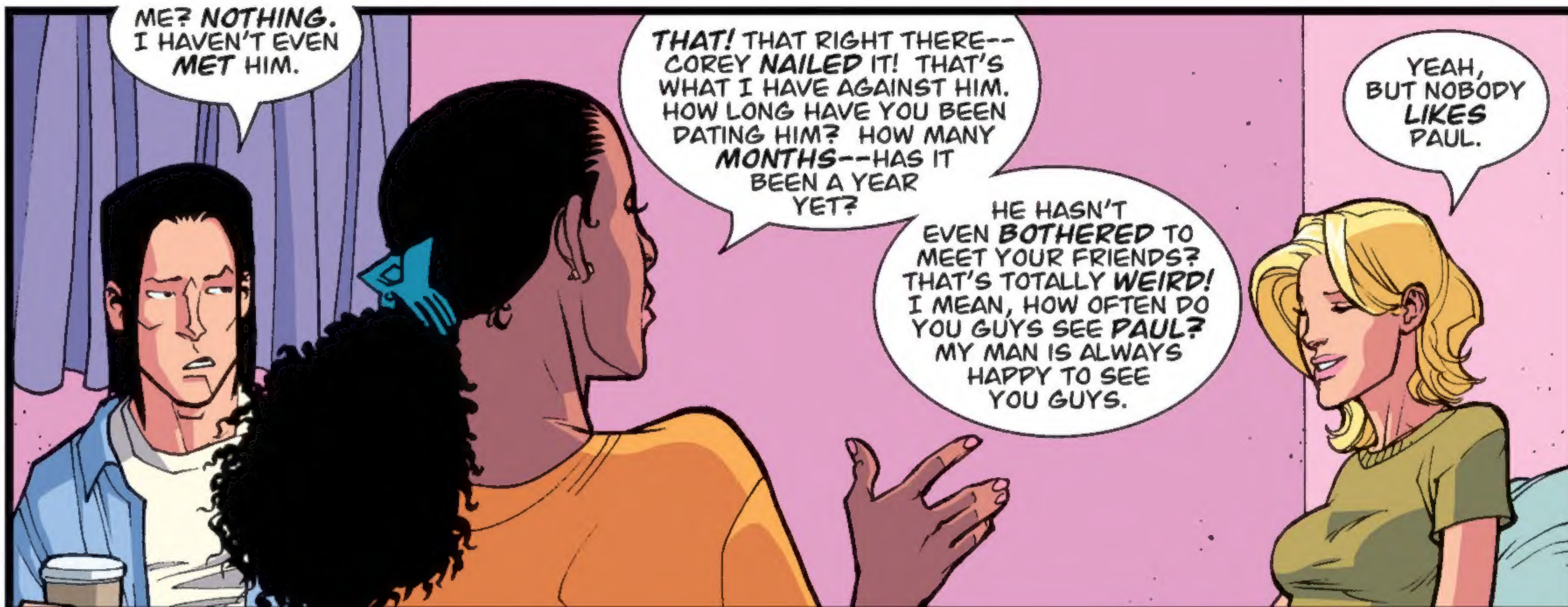


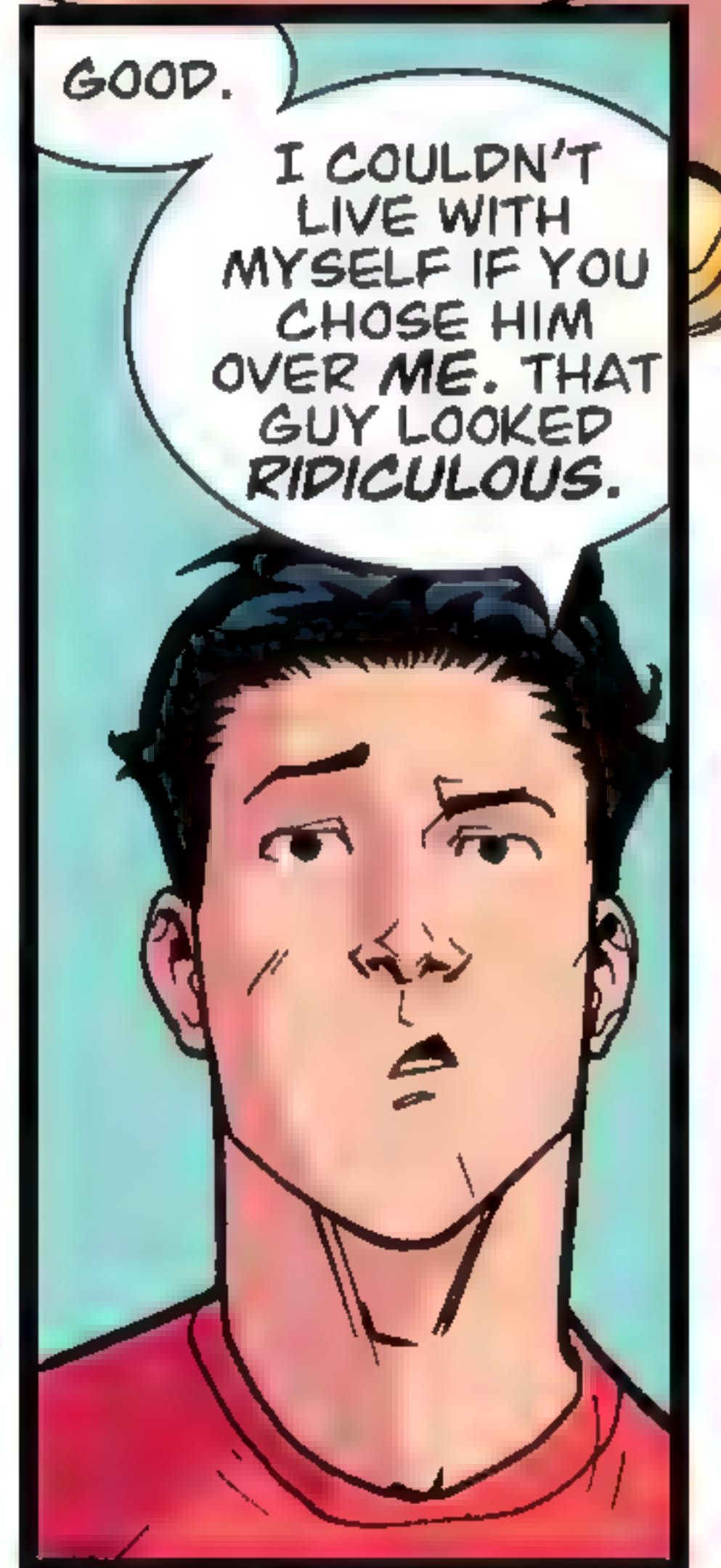
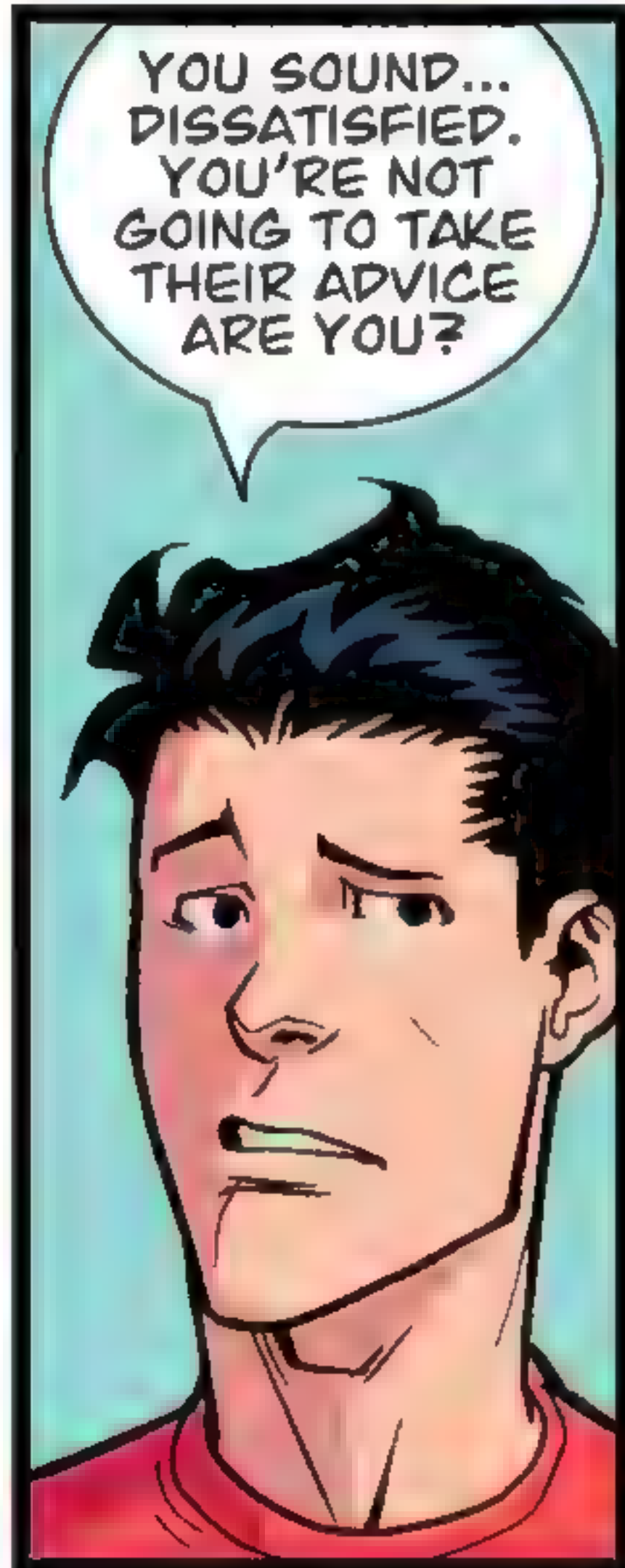
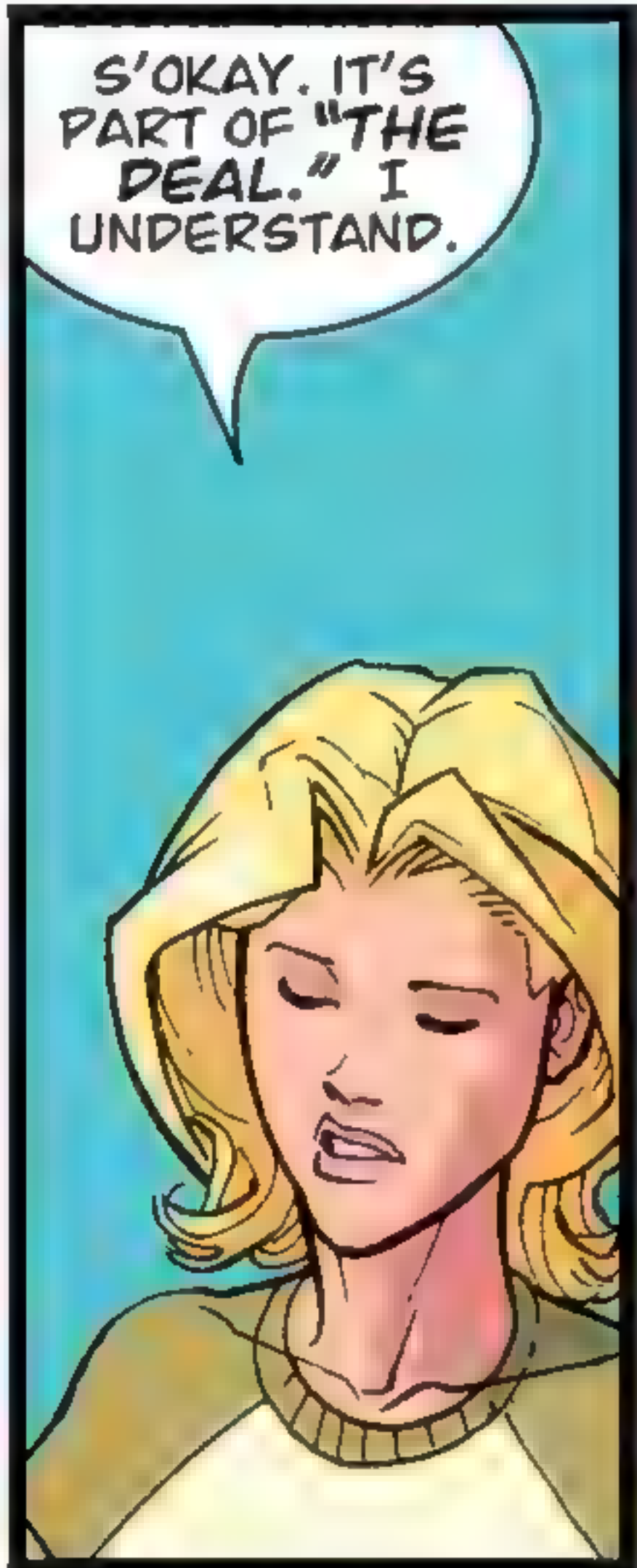
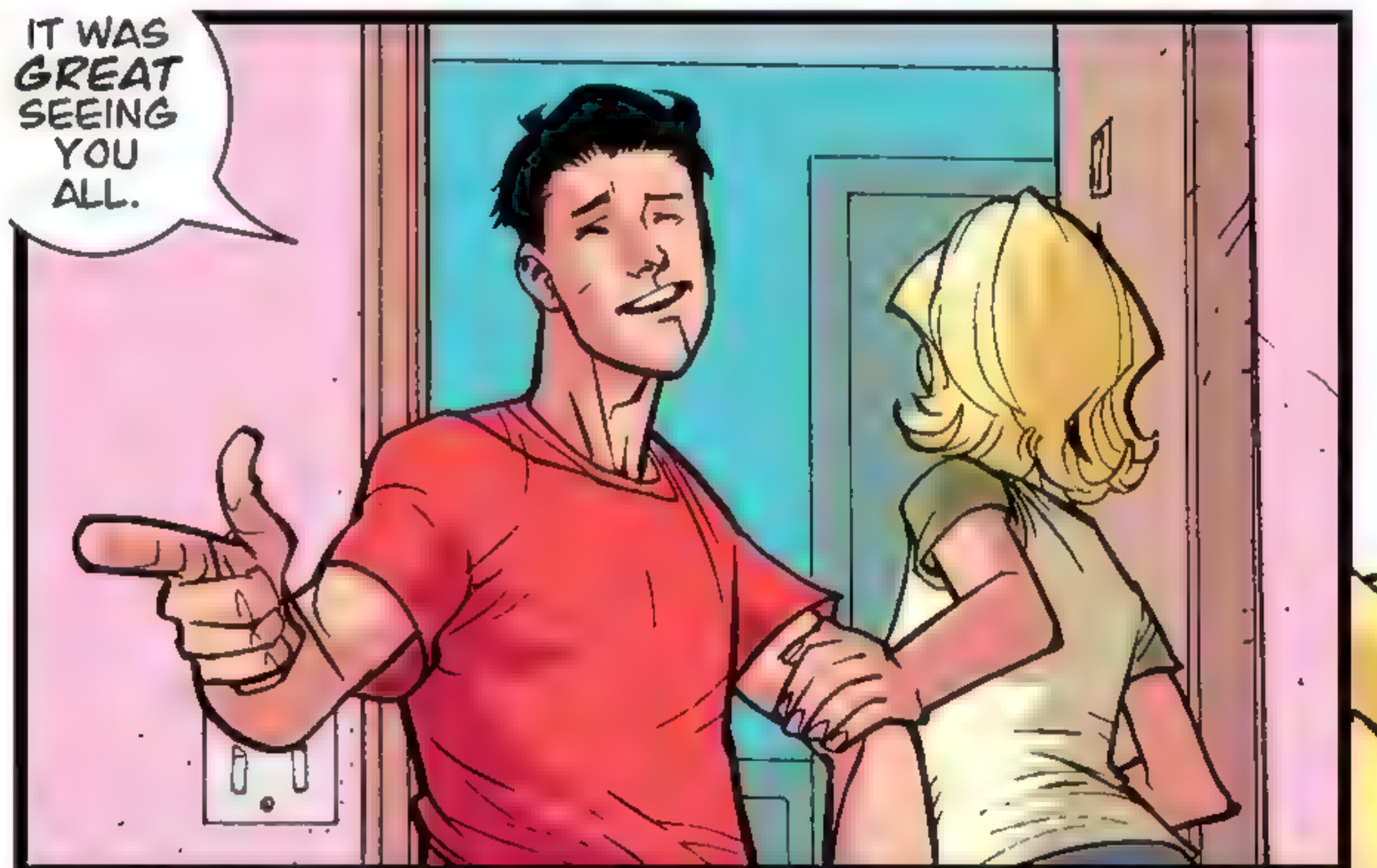
THANK YOU--
YOU--WHAT
YOU'RE SAYING--
YOU'VE HELPED
ME.

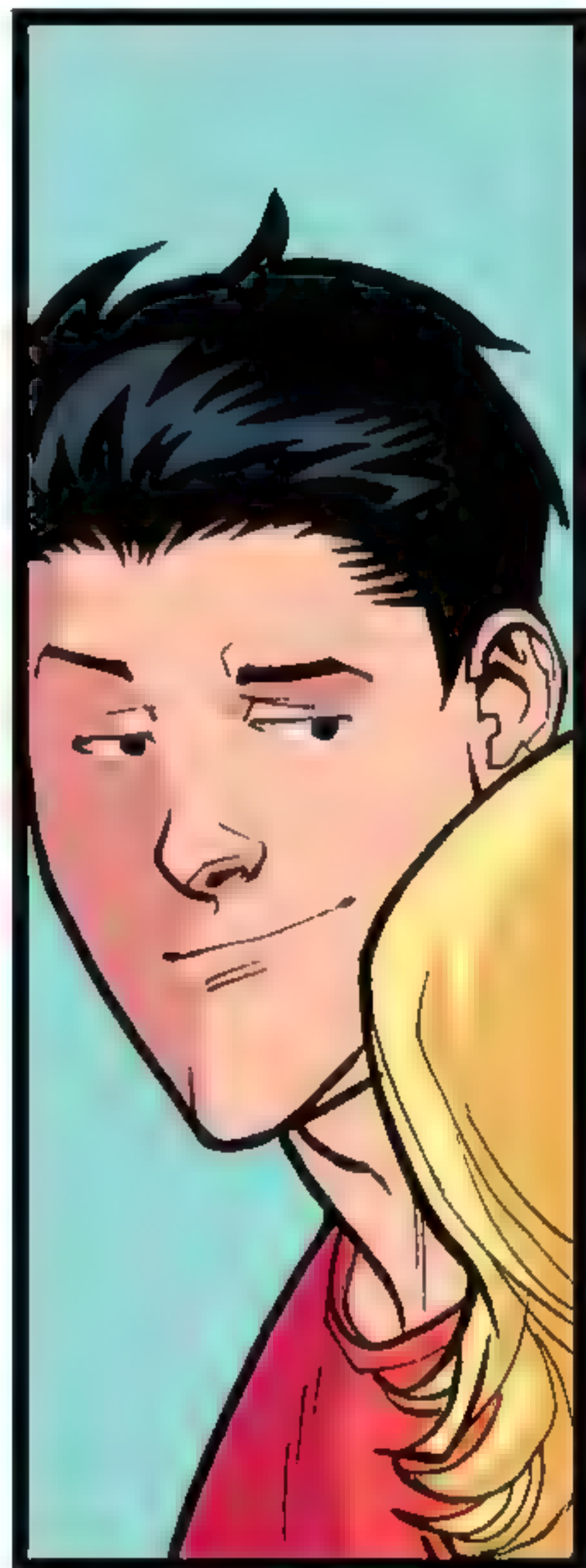
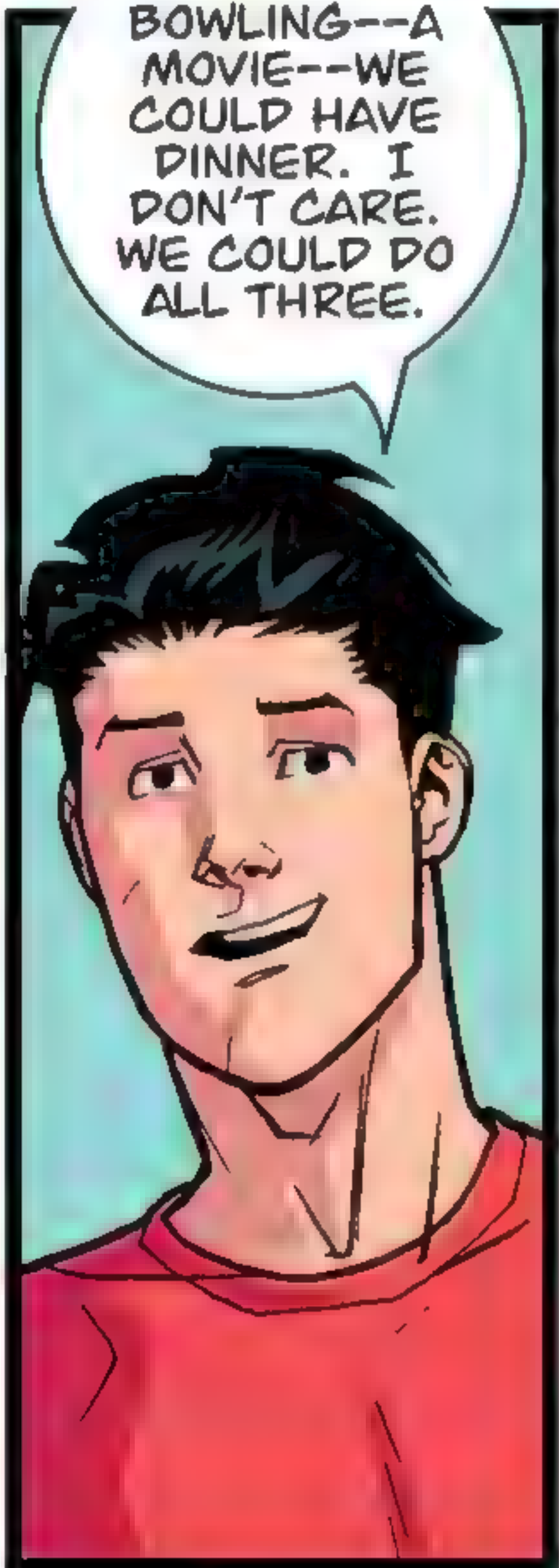
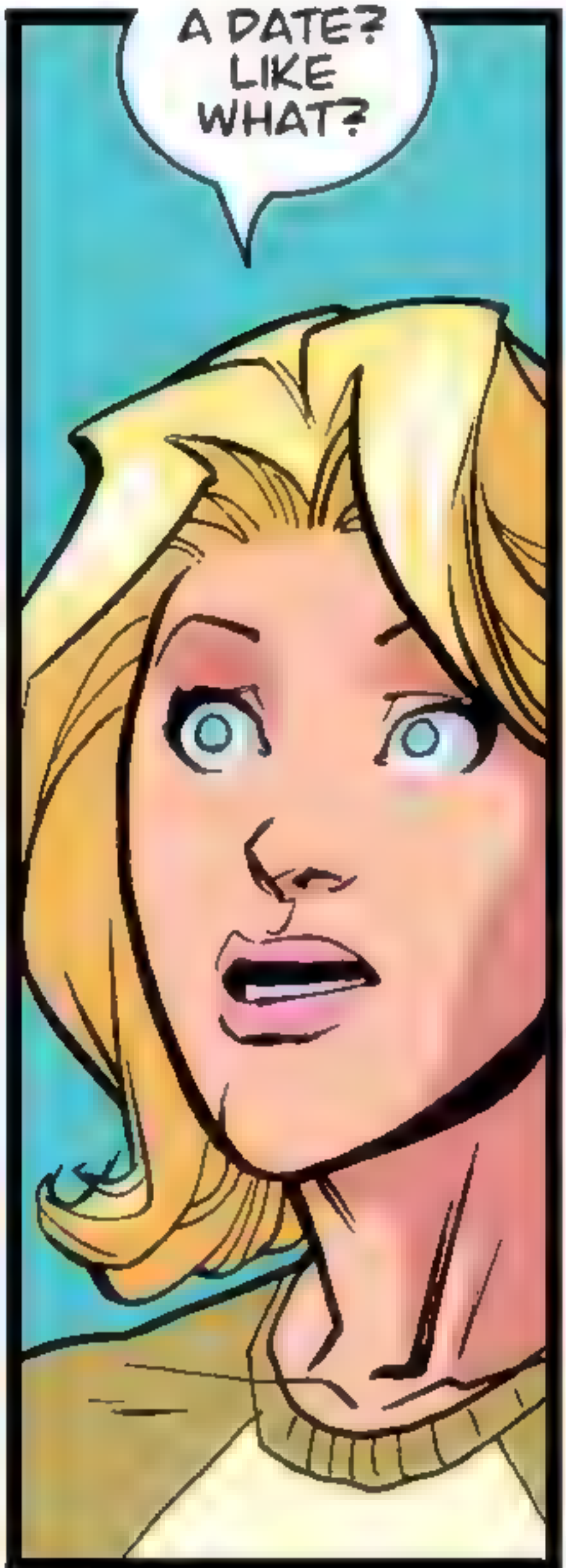
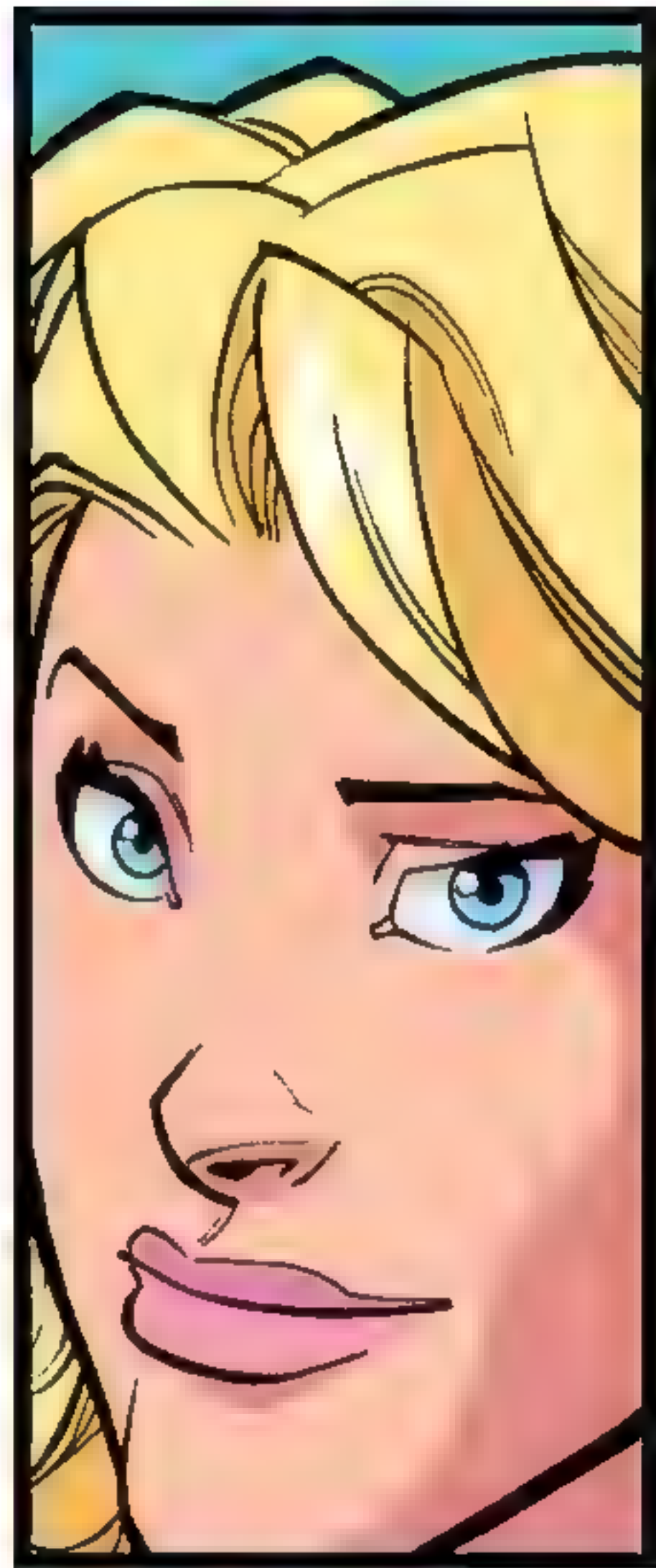
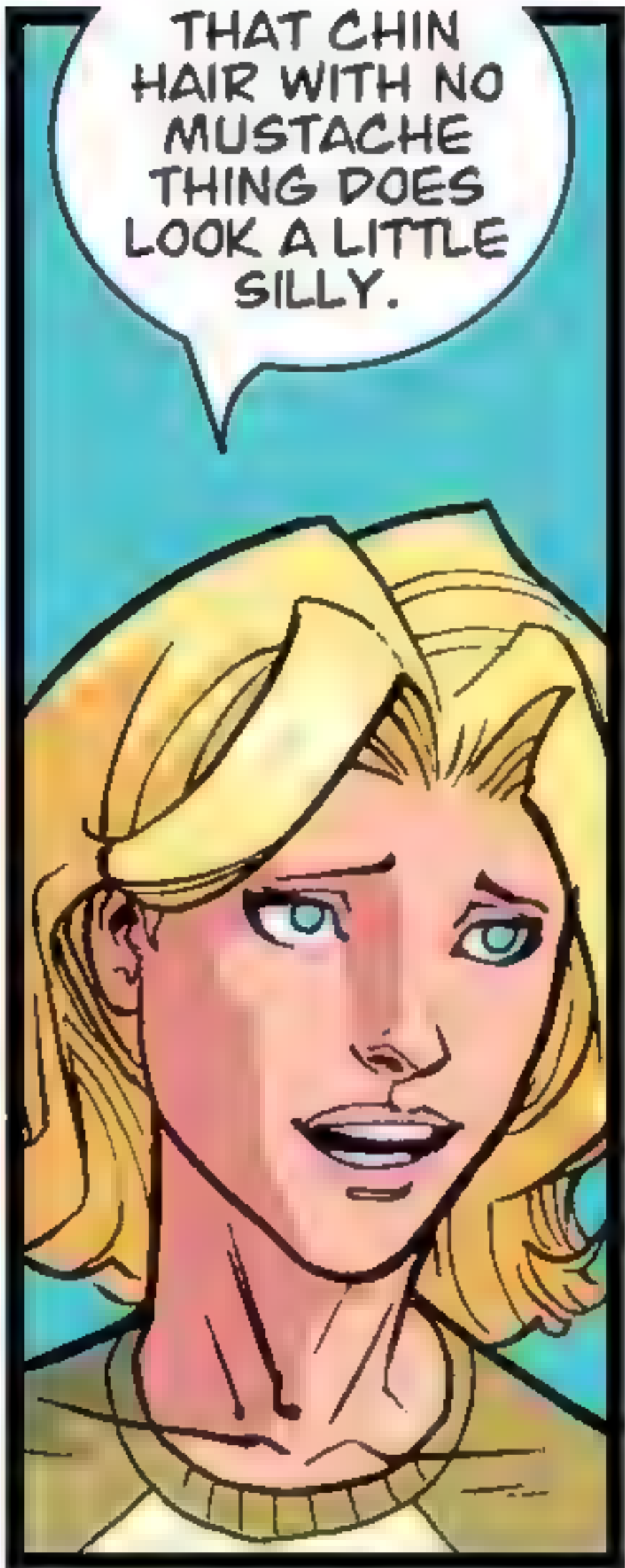
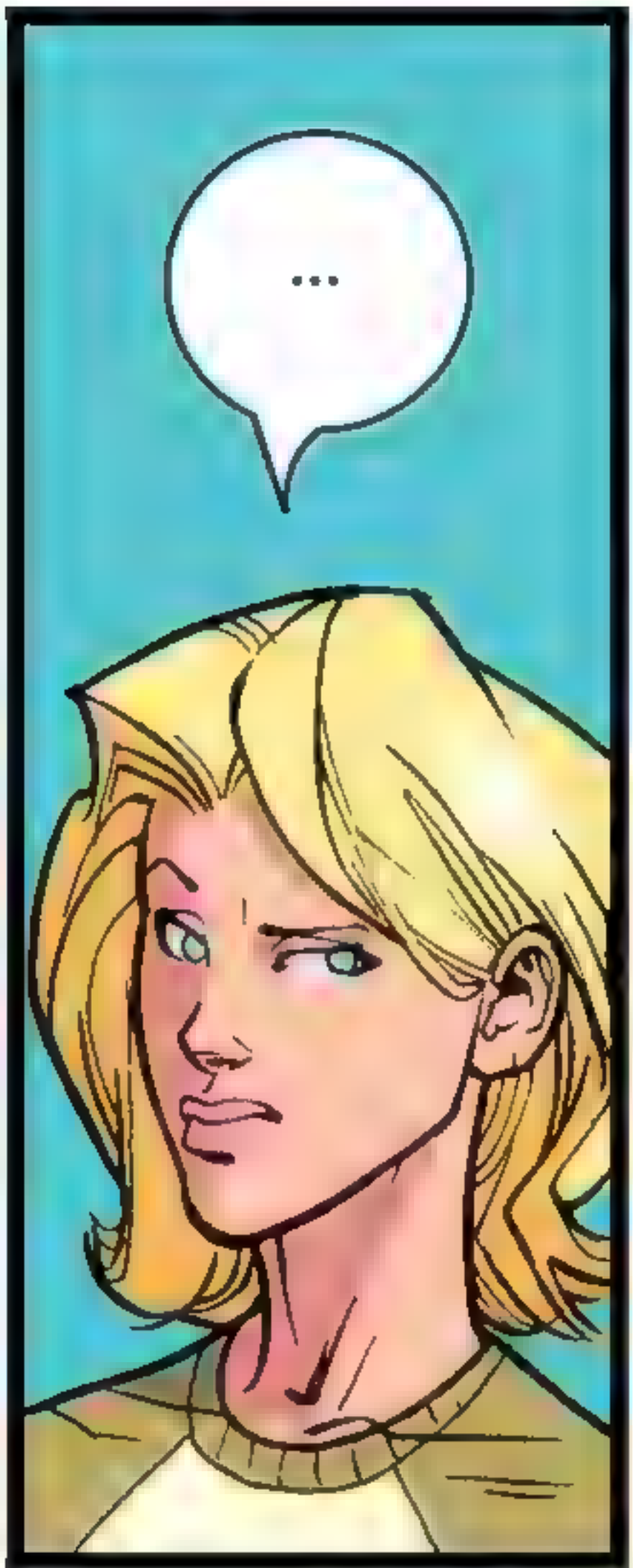
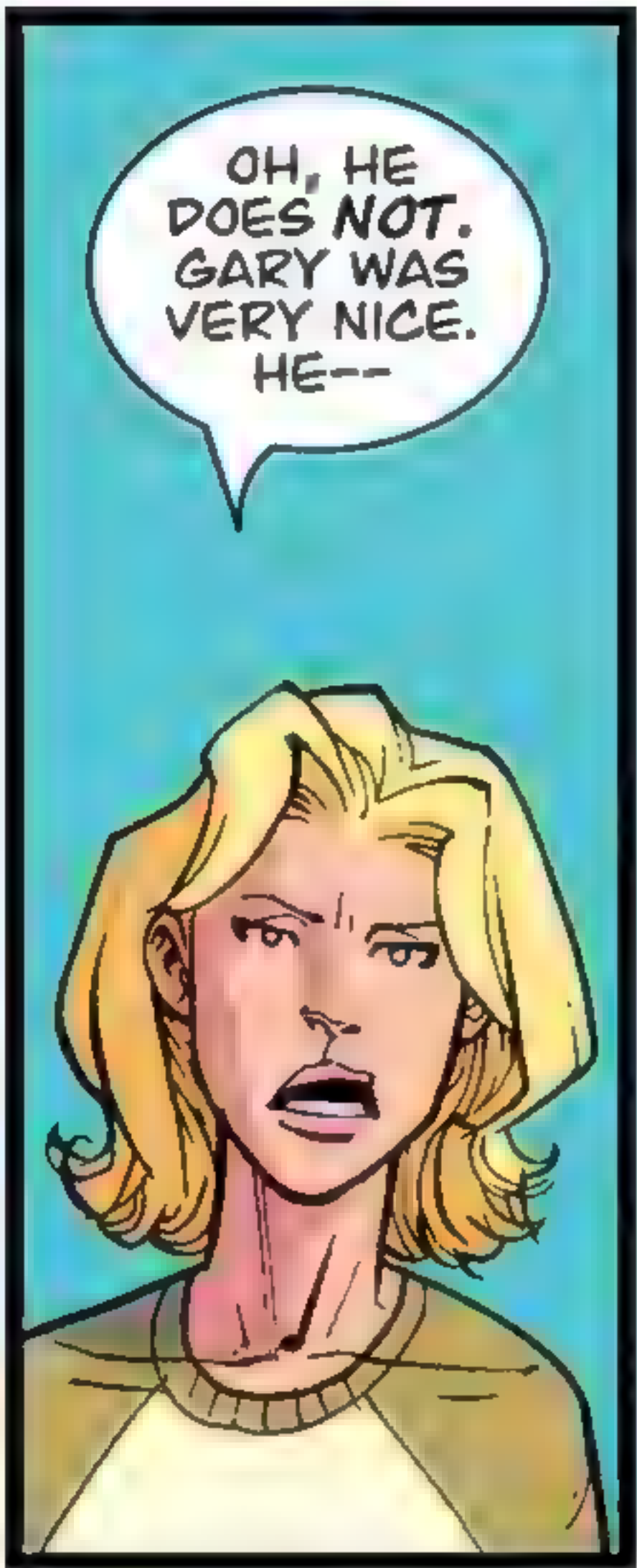
MAYBE
I WOULD
LIKE TO
TALK...











THE SECRET, HIDDEN BASE
OF THE LIZARD LEAGUE,
LOCATED DEEP WITHIN THE
FLORIDA EVERGLADES.



TOO
LONG HAS THIS
ORGANIZATION
BEEN A FAILURE--
A JOKE!

NO
MORE, I
SAY!

NO
MORE!!

NOW THAT
I, SUPREME
LIZARD, AM IN
COMMAND--AND
THAT INCOMPETENT
KING LIZARD IS NO
LONGER ATTEMPTING
TO LEAD US FROM
PRISON--WE
CAN MAKE A
CHANGE!

WE CAN
BECOME A
FORCE TO BE
RECKONED
WITH!



ALL HAIL
SUPREME
LIZARD!







THE HOME OF DEBBIE GRAYSON, MOTHER OF MARK GRAYSON AND NEWLY ADOPTED OLIVER GRAYSON.

JUST SOLVE THE PROBLEM, OLIVER. JUST THIS LAST ONE AND YOU'LL BE DONE AND I CAN GO HOME.

I CAN'T, APRIL--- IT'S TOO HARD.

I KNOW IT'S HARD, BUT I ALSO KNOW THAT YOU CAN DO IT. DON'T MAKE A LIAR OUT OF ME. JUST THINK ABOUT IT. FOCUS.

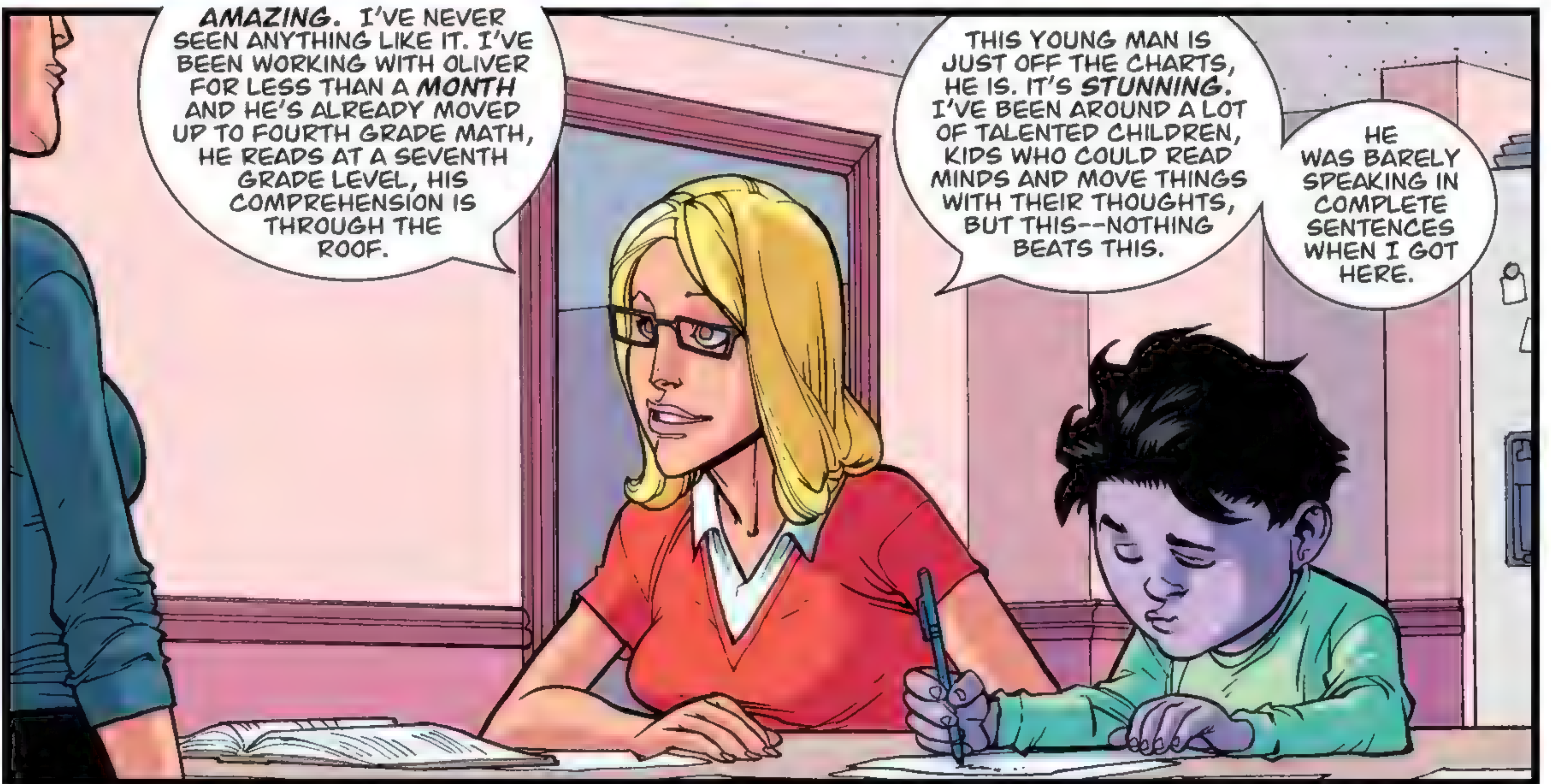
HOW ARE THINGS GOING?



AMAZING. I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT. I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH OLIVER FOR LESS THAN A MONTH AND HE'S ALREADY MOVED UP TO FOURTH GRADE MATH, HE READS AT A SEVENTH GRADE LEVEL, HIS COMPREHENSION IS THROUGH THE ROOF.

THIS YOUNG MAN IS JUST OFF THE CHARTS, HE IS. IT'S STUNNING. I'VE BEEN AROUND A LOT OF TALENTED CHILDREN, KIDS WHO COULD READ MINDS AND MOVE THINGS WITH THEIR THOUGHTS, BUT THIS--NOTHING BEATS THIS.

HE WAS BARELY SPEAKING IN COMPLETE SENTENCES WHEN I GOT HERE.

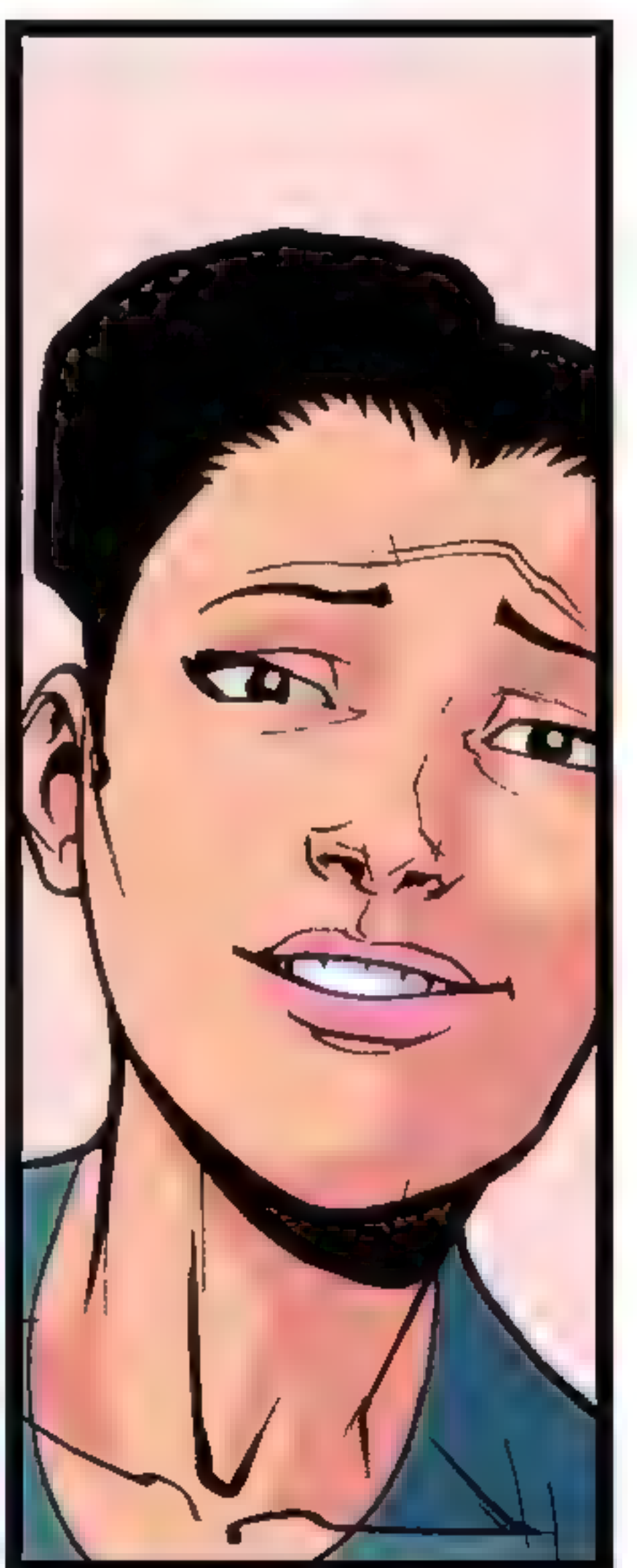
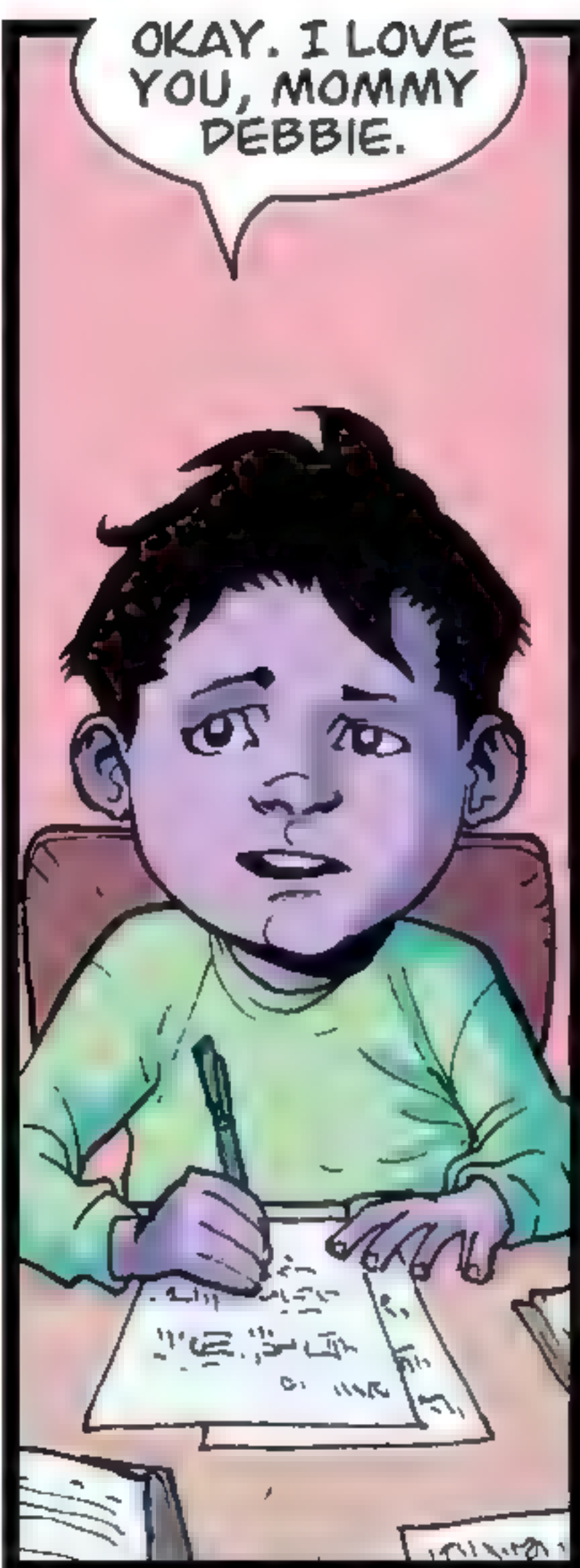


I'M AS BLOWN AWAY AS YOU ARE.

AT THIS RATE HE'LL BE TEACHING THINGS TO US INSIDE OF A YEAR.

DON'T LET THIS GO TO YOUR HEAD, OLIVER. FINISH UP YOUR MATH AND GET YOUR SHOES ON. MISS APRIL NEEDS TO GET HOME AND WE'RE GOING TO GO TO THE STORE.

OKAY. I LOVE YOU, MOMMY DEBBIE.



AT THAT MOMENT--
DEEP IN SPACE.



SIRE--
YOUR
ATTENTION IS
NEEDED.



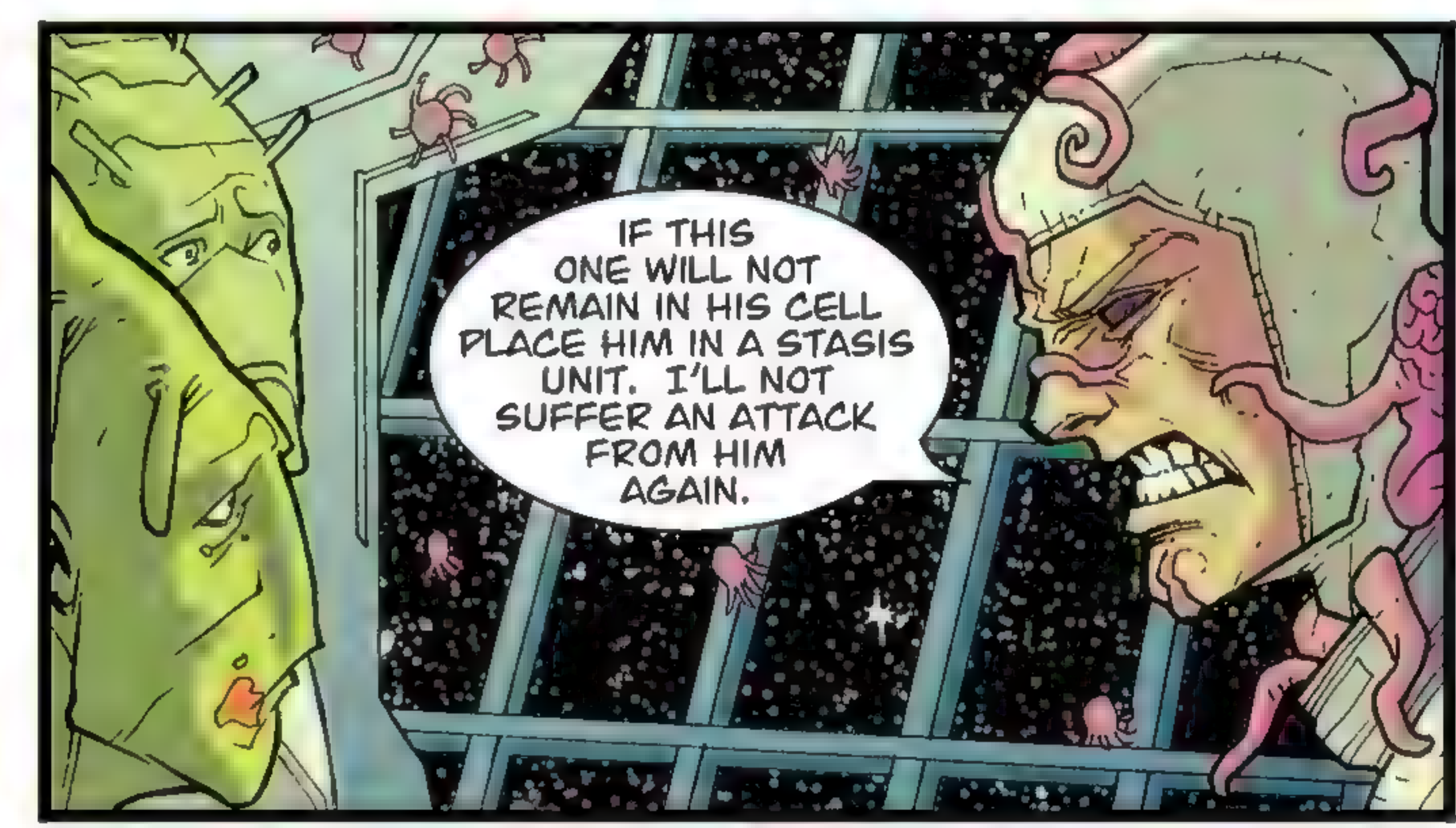
WE CAUGHT HIM TRYING
TO CAUSE A PLASMA LEAK
IN THE ENGINES--THIS
ACTION WOULD HAVE
HALTED OUR TRAVELS
INDEFINITELY.

WHAT
WILL WE BE
REQUIRED
TO DO WITH
HIM?

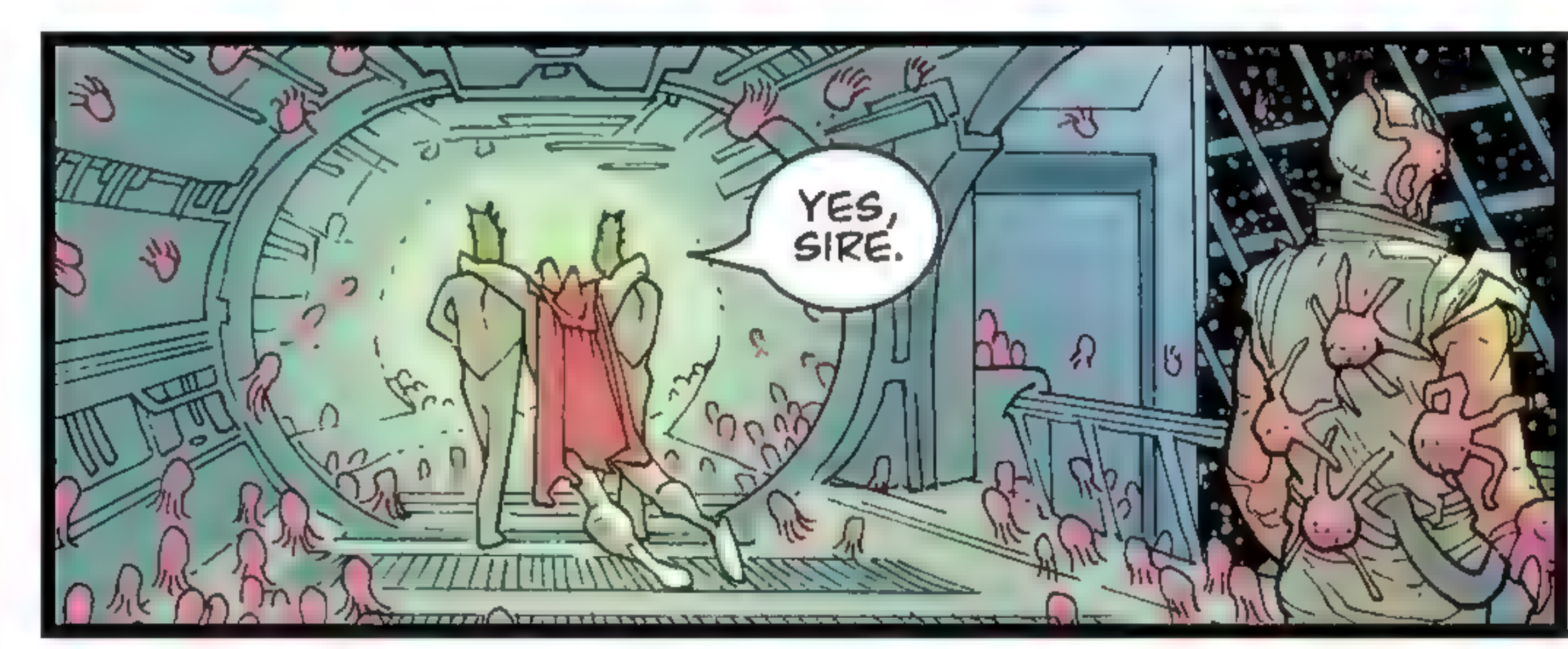


YOU ARE THE ONE CALLED
MONARCH PRIME. I
RECOGNIZE YOU FROM MY
COLLECTIVE REMEMBRANCE.
YOU WERE A TYRANT TO
MYSELVES OVER MANY
YEARS.

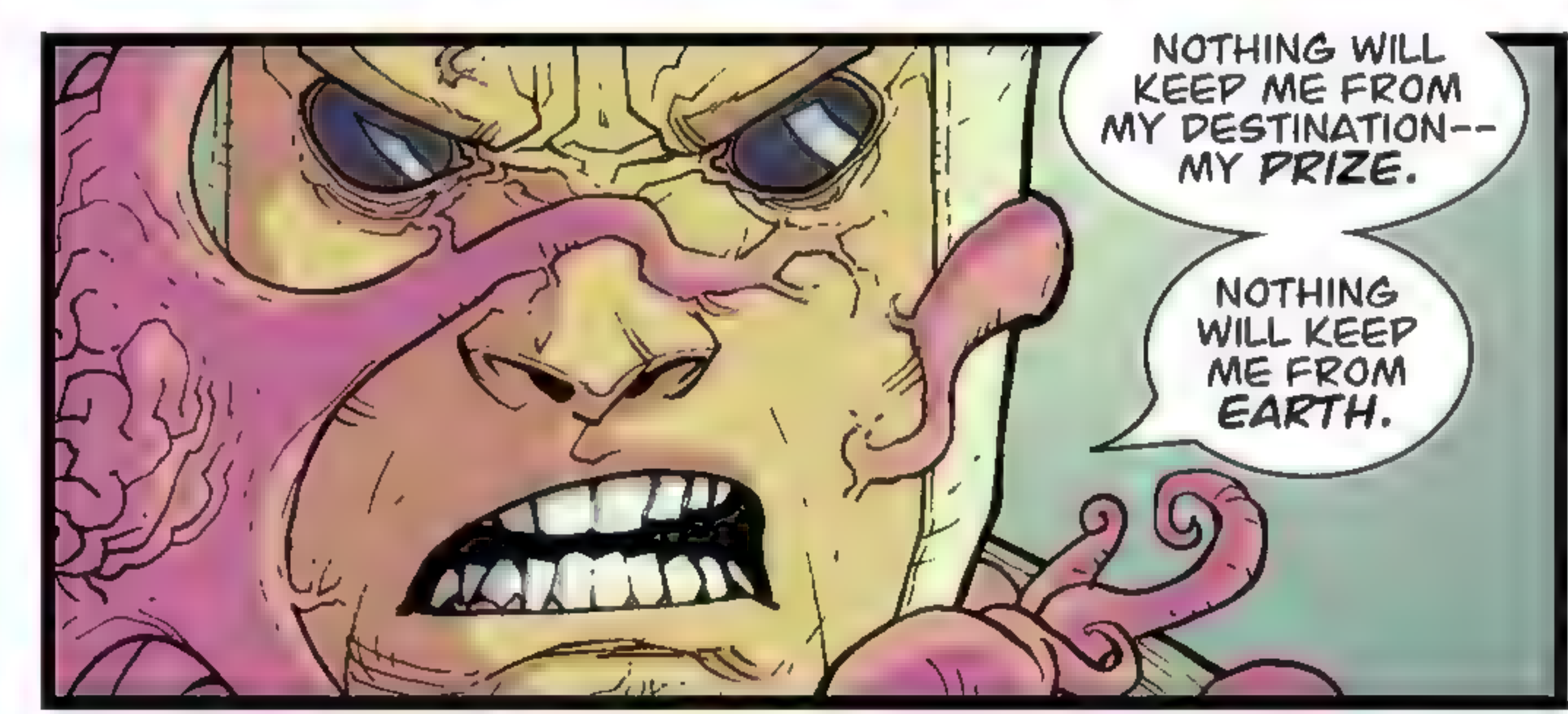
WERE I
CERTAIN HALF MY
ARMY WOULDN'T
REVOLT I WOULD
HAVE YOU EXECUTED.
YOUR SOLDIERS'
UNCERTAIN LOYALTY
IS YOUR SALVATION.



IF THIS
ONE WILL NOT
REMAIN IN HIS CELL
PLACE HIM IN A STASIS
UNIT. I'LL NOT
SUFFER AN ATTACK
FROM HIM
AGAIN.

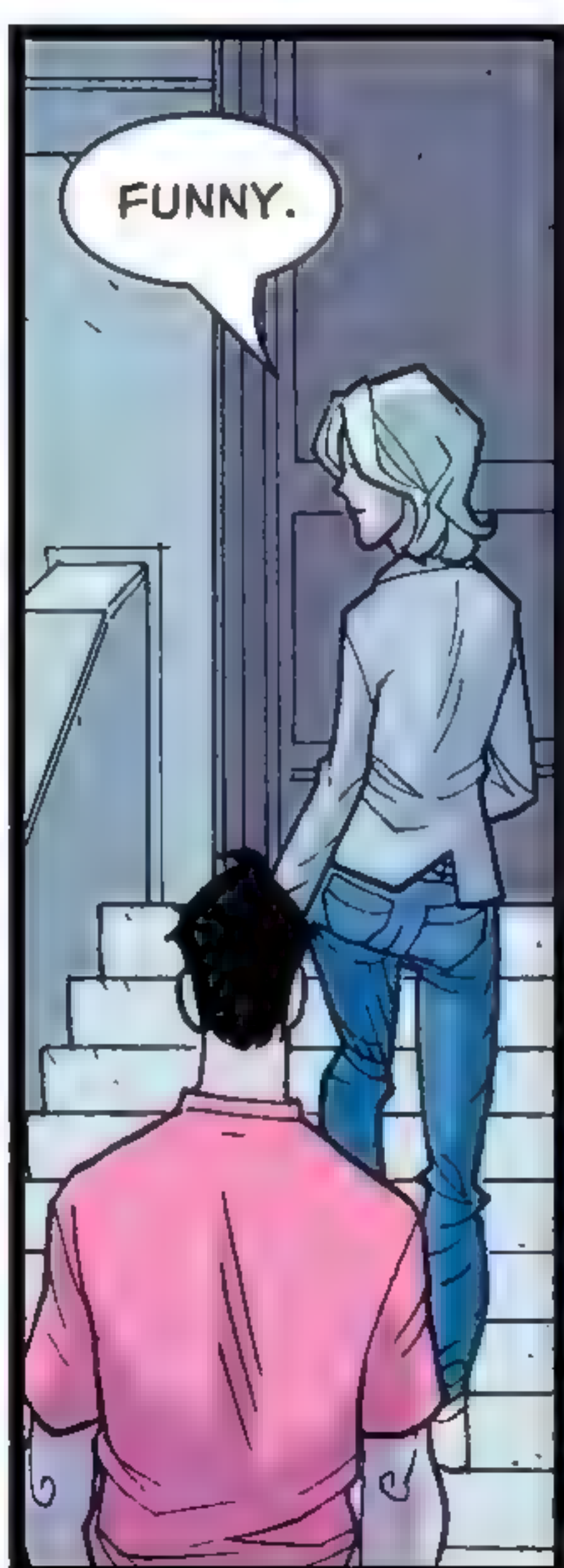
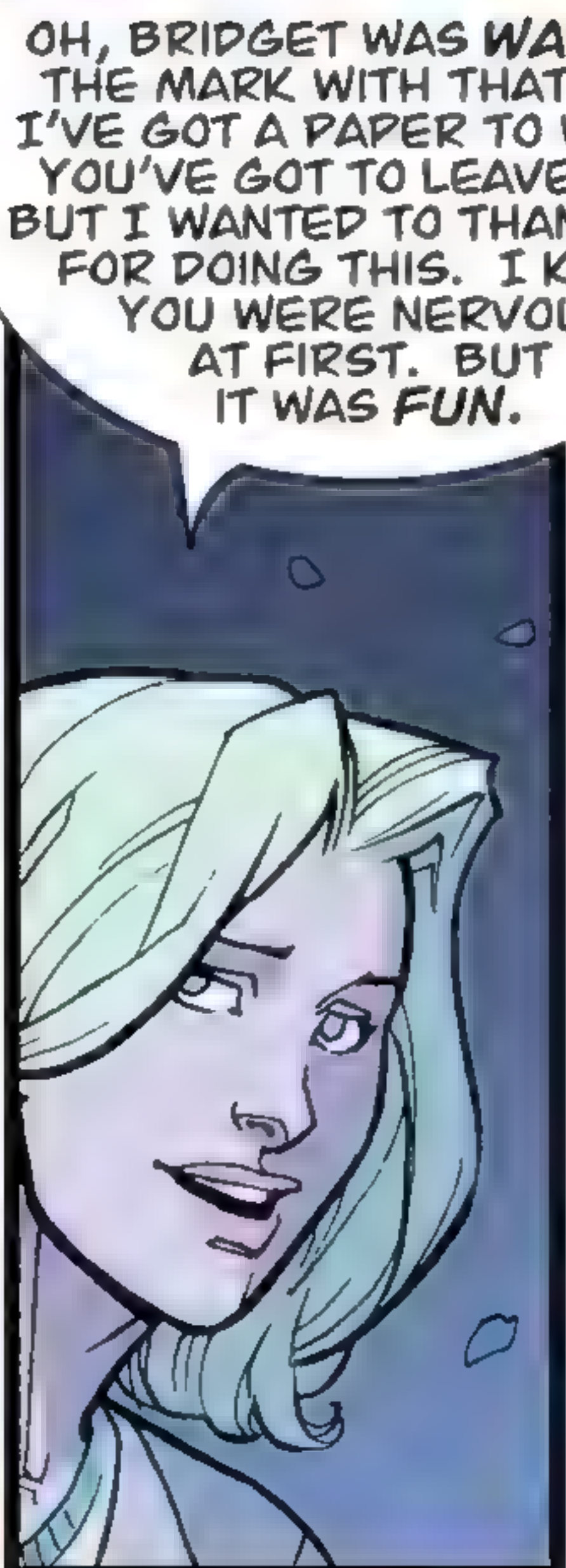
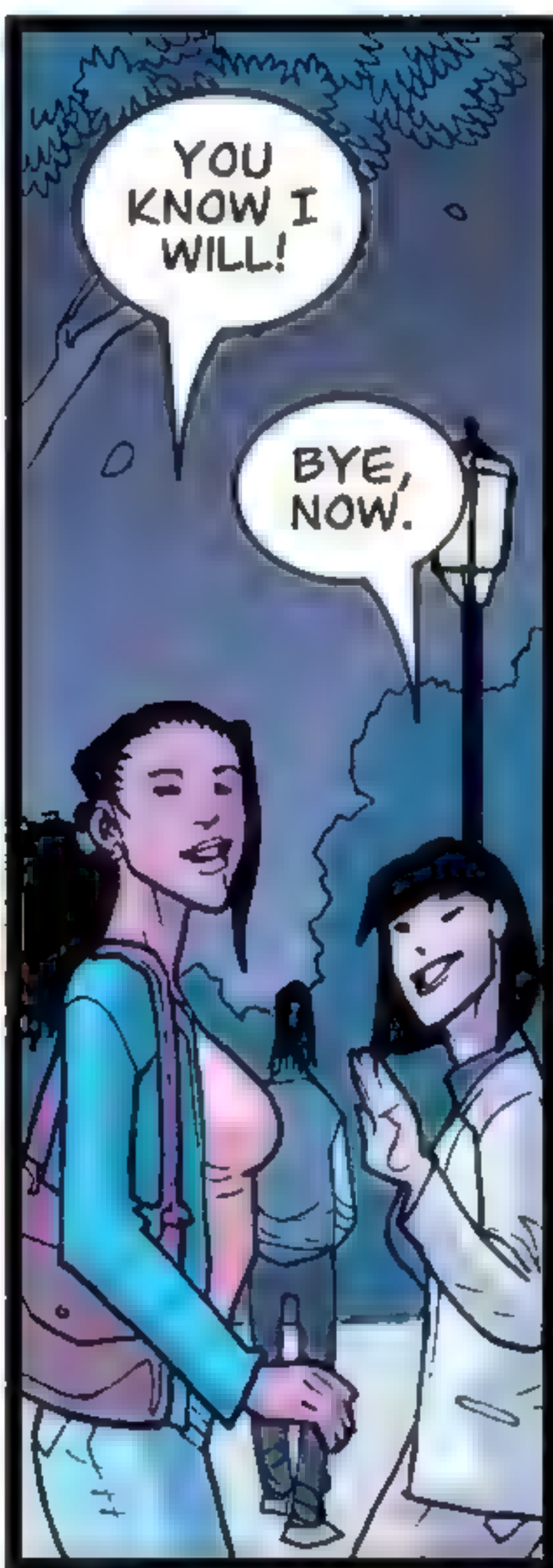


YES,
SIRE.



NOTHING WILL
KEEP ME FROM
MY DESTINATION--
MY PRIZE.

NOTHING
WILL KEEP
ME FROM
EARTH.





AN UNDISCLOSED
LOCATION IN UTAH.

THE SECRET MOUNTAIN
BASE OF THE GUARDIANS
OF THE GLOBE.

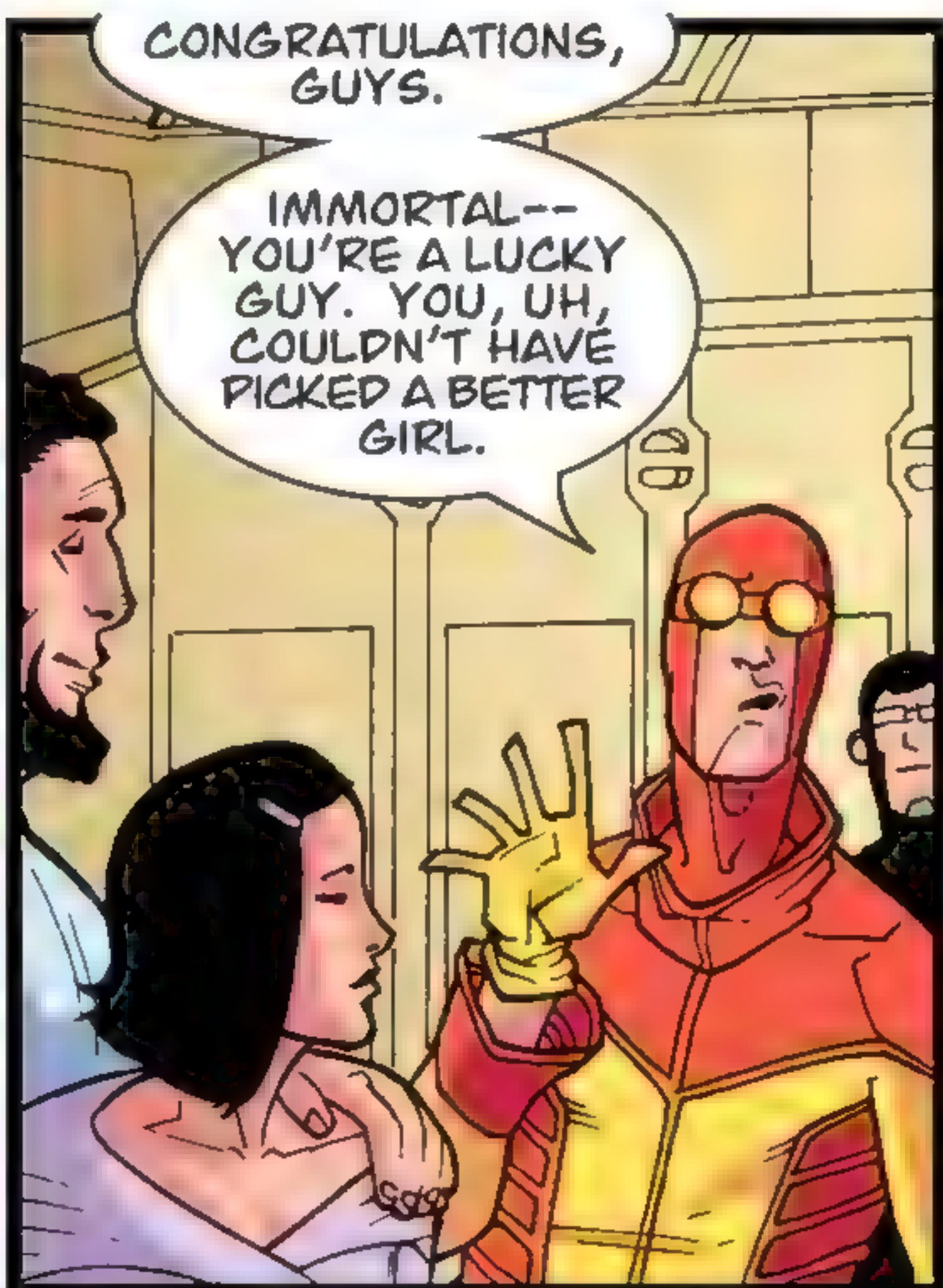


I CAN'T BELIEVE
YOU GUYS DID THAT.
YOU ACTUALLY SNUCK
AWAY AND GOT
MARRIED! THAT'S
CRAZY.

I'VE ALREADY BEEN
MARRIED SEVENTEEN
TIMES. I WAS NOT
LOOKING FORWARD
TO ANOTHER
WEDDING.

I'M NOT BIG
ON CEREMONY. I
LIKE IT BETTER
THIS WAY--MORE
ROMANTIC.

YEAH--BUT
YOU'RE ALREADY
BACK TO WORK?
NO HONEYMOON?
THAT'S NO FUN
AT ALL!



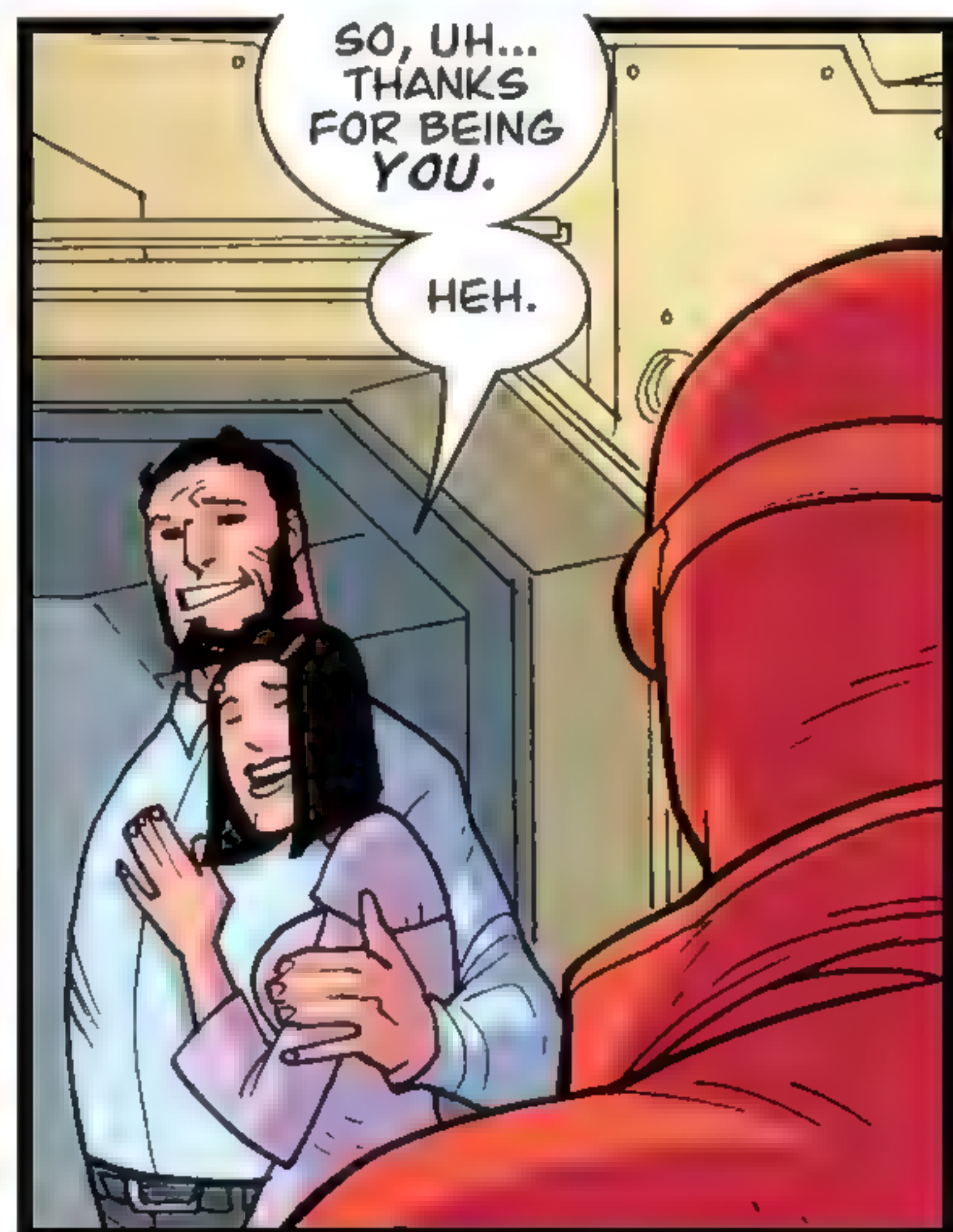
CONGRATULATIONS,
GUYS.

IMMORTAL--
YOU'RE A LUCKY
GUY. YOU, UH,
COULDN'T HAVE
PICKED A BETTER
GIRL.



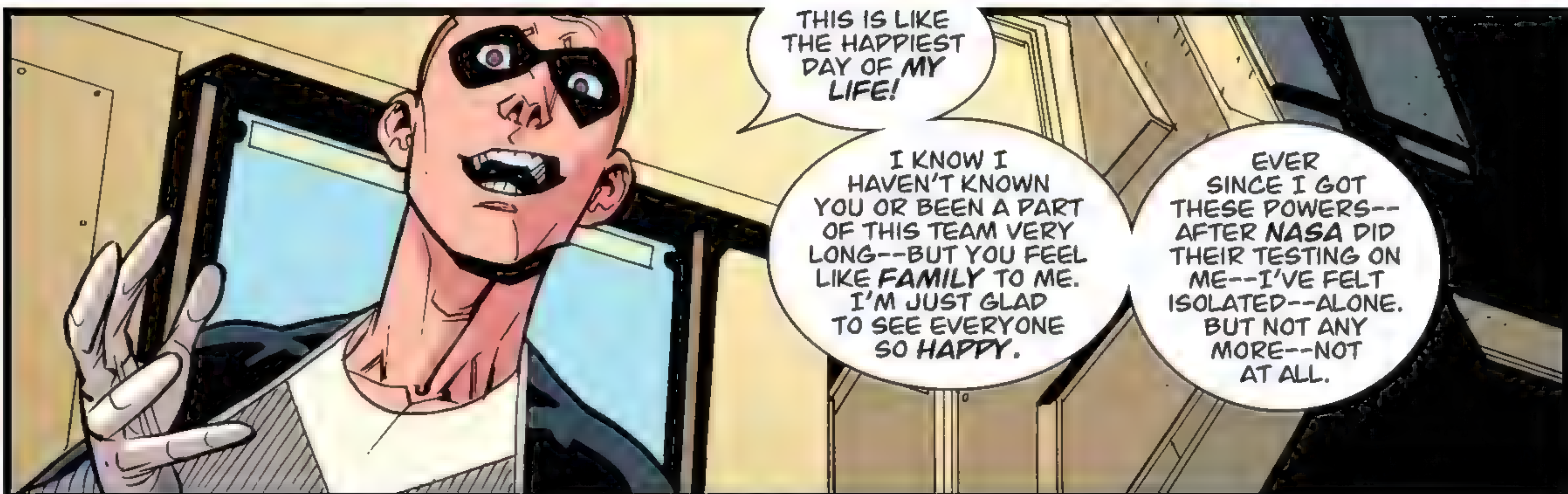
THAT'S
SWEET,
REX.

IF YOU'D
SHOWN ME EVEN
A LITTLE BIT OF
COMPASSION WHILE
WE WERE TOGETHER
MAYBE WE'D STILL
BE TOGETHER.



SO, UH...
THANKS
FOR BEING
YOU.

HEH.



THIS IS LIKE
THE HAPPIEST
DAY OF MY
LIFE!

I KNOW I
HAVEN'T KNOWN
YOU OR BEEN A PART
OF THIS TEAM VERY
LONG--BUT YOU FEEL
LIKE FAMILY TO ME.
I'M JUST GLAD
TO SEE EVERYONE
SO HAPPY.

EVER
SINCE I GOT
THESE POWERS--
AFTER NASA DID
THEIR TESTING ON
ME--I'VE FELT
ISOLATED--ALONE.
BUT NOT ANY
MORE--NOT
AT ALL.

